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勝を信じられなくなり、一方的に「別れたい」というメールを送った真琴。それ以来、顔を合わさないように勝を避けていたけど、偶然行った合コンで再会してしまい!?

リボンマスコットコミックス

あいざわ遥作品好評発売中

一輪の花束
花を咲かそう
次回をおたのしみに
お姫さまと花と蝶
ラフィアのリボン
キスの髪飾り
オレンジ紅茶
ビーズの指輪
モザイクの魚
カラフル・パレット ①〜③

作者のことば

「大好きなチョコとアイスをやめずに何とかダイエットできる方法はないかと模索したんだけど、そんな方法あるわきゃーない。ダイエットティー飲んだり、食事を減らしたり、ストレッチ一応がんばったんだが…。やっぱやめるべき？　チョコとアイス…」（あいざわ遥）

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Colorful Pallet 3

Aizawa Haruka

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STORY DETAILS, "COLORFUL PALLET" ①-② VOLUMES (ON SALE)!!

THE STORY SO FAR

ABE MAKOTO IS A FASHION SAVVY COLLEGE STUDENT. SOON UPON ENTERING COLLEGE SHE MEETS THE STRANGE FELLOW SHIBUYA MASARU (SHIBUKATSU) AND STARTS DATING HIM. HOWEVER MAKOTO DOESN'T BELIEVE MASARU VIEWS HER AS IMPORTANT AS SHE WOULD LIKE AND THINGS DON'T GO WELL BETWEEN THE TWO OF THEM SO THEY BREAK UP. AFTER THAT MAKOTO TRIES GOING OUT WITH THE NICE GUY TAKEMOTO-KUN. BUT SHE CAN'T FORGET ABOUT MASARU NO MATTER WHAT SHE DOES.

AT HER WITS END (BOTH BODY AND MIND) SHE DROPS BY TO VISIT MASARU. THEY TRY DATING ONCE MORE BUT AS USUAL THERE IS AWKWARDNESS BETWEEN THEM.

THEN AT THE SAME TIME THE WOMAN MASARU MET WHILE WORKING, KAWAKAMI TOMOKO, APPEARS BEFORE THE TWO OF THEM. TOMOKO SUDDENLY SPENDS THE NIGHT AT MASARU'S?!

カラフルパレット

ABE-SENPAI
DO YOU HAVE A MINUTE?
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Please tell us
AH FIRST YEARS FROM OUR MAJOR
WHAT BRAND OF LIPSTICK DO YOU HAVE ON TODAY?
AND THAT SKIRT TOO
EH?! EH?!
Emmm
Sure. The lipstick is OOO and on top a XXX glaze
The clothes are
Why do they always do that?
SHE'S POINTING IT OUT
Ohhh
SORRY I DON'T HAVE TIME ANOTHER TIME, OKAY?

WHY IS IT ALL OF THE SUDDEN?
FIRST YEARS NEVER TALKED TO ME BEFORE
I was surprised
THERE'S NO WAY
It's a ten million yen smile
SEEMS THEY THINK YOU HAVE A BIT OF CHARISMA LATELY
YOU ARE A FASHIONABLE SENPAI ♡
AH, OH NO
I'M THINKING OF SERIOUSLY PURSUING TO BE A MAKE-UP ARTIST
WHAT? SOMETHING GOING ON?
I'M REALLY LATE
I HAVE TO GO
FROM TODAY ON I'M GOING BACK AND FORTH BETWEEN MAKE-UP CLASSES.
Professional training

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Okinawa Trip Diary

February 2003, we left for our first Okinawa trip

THUMP THUMP

We took our daughter (1) with us for her first family trip

We couldn't decide on what to do, where to go, what hotel to stay in and whether or not it was a leisurely trip

However our bus to the airport was delayed right off

DONG

Will we make our plane?!

In a big hurry.

(Made it just in time.)

Upon arrival to Okinawa we went and had some Souk Soba

Eating Soba is like eating udon (They didn't use soba noodles but it was still delicious)

Meat

GUESS SO

WOW

See you.

IT'S A GOOD THING DON'T WORRY SHE'S BEEN MOPING ABOUT ANYWAYS

I HAVE A BAD FEELING

SHE DOESN'T

TURN ON HER PHONE LIKE USUAL.

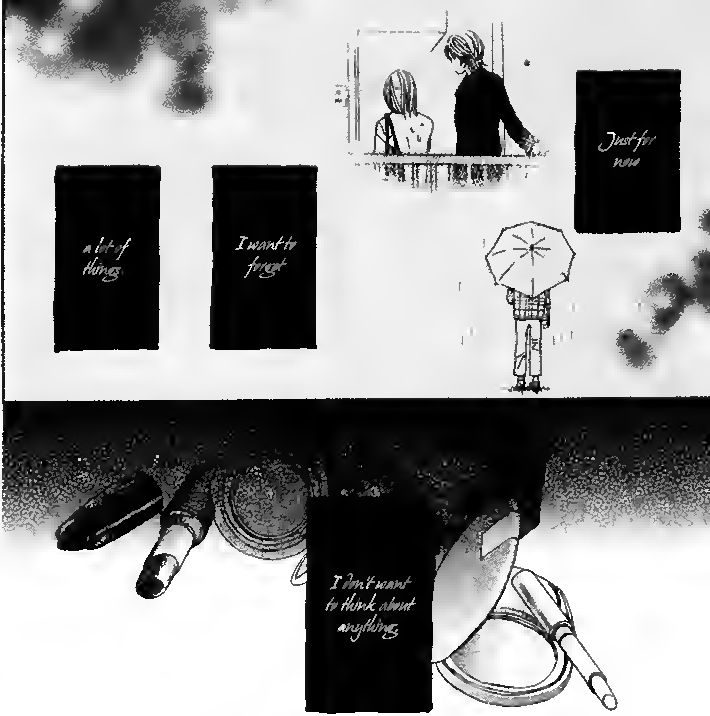
THE NUMBER YOU ARE TRYING TO REACH CAN NOT

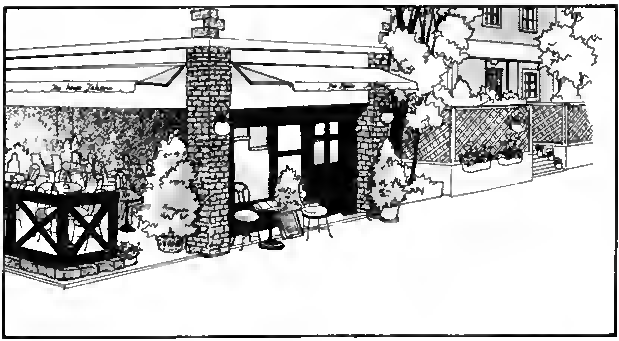
It's February already
It was a one-side break up with Masaru on my part.
Woah
It's gotten really late.
HE'S WAITING AGAIN...

Since then I haven't talked to Masaru at all.
He usually calls me a number of times every day.
I just shut it off.
I've seen him looking for me at the dorm and at college a number of times.
(knock knock)
SNEAK
I've avoided him somehow up until now...

I know it can't go on like this
WHERE'S MAKOTO?
HI.
SHIBU KATSU
halt
TELL HER TO CALL ME WHENEVER
WE NEED TO TALK
THAT GO?
LOOKS LIKE SHE WAS OUT TODAY
AH ERMM.
SLINK
SLINK

PHEW
LISTEN YOU,
HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO SLINK AROUND LIKE THIS?
YEP
IS HE GONE?
OK-
OKAY
I KNOW!
YOU SHOULD GO TALK TO HIM AND BREAK UP WITH HIM PROPERLY
BUT I DON'T WANT TO SEE


a lot of things
I want to forget
Just for now
I don't want to think about anything



GOOD MORNING
HUH?!
Mommy?
YOU'RE WORKING TODAY TOO?
WHEN HE ASKED ME TO COME IN I FIGURED YOU WERE OUT
Who's not them? Ota-kun?
Ahhh
cough
cough

KEIKO!!
MAKOTO! YOU CAME ALL THE WAY TOO!
SEEMS THERE'S PLENTY OF PEOPLE TODAY SO YOU'RE NOT NEEDED!
Have some coffee!
I ASKED HIROSE-SAN (KEIKO) TO HAVE YOU MEET ME
IT'S NOT HER FAULT
SIT DOWN.

Certainly,
I can't run away forever
APERITIFS
.....
plop
FINALLY
WE CAN TALK
.....
Maybe it's the right time
ARE YOU SERIOUS.
ABOUT BREAKING UP?

I CAN'T
BELIEVE YOU ABOUT TOMOKO-SAN
I SAW IT.
I TOLD YOU NOTHING HAPPENED!!
BELIEVE ME
ENOUGH
YOU'VE GOT IT ALL WRONG
I'M TELLING YOU
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU ANYMORE
ON THAT RAINY DAY
THAT WOMAN SLEPT OVER, DIDN'T SHE?
.....

I DON'T WANT TO BREAK UP
DO YOU REMEMBER A YEAR AGO?
WHEN I TOLD YOU I WANTED TO BREAK UP AND GAVE BACK YOUR KEY
YOU READILY SAID "I UNDERSTAND" AND TOOK THE KEY
THAT WAS DIFFERENT THEN.
PLEASE
Then why
did you betray me?

I'M TELLING THE TRUTH.
DON'T LIE TO ME.
.....
WE KISSED

I KNEW IT...
.....
MASARU.
I REALLY LOVED YOU
GOOD-BYE

SLAM
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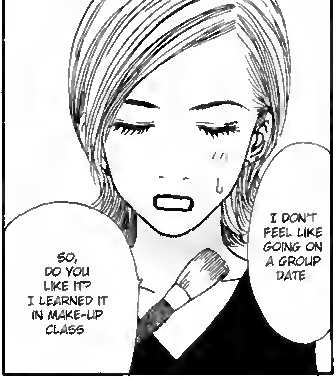
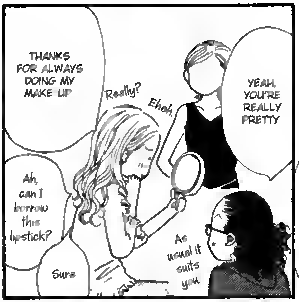
It's over now.

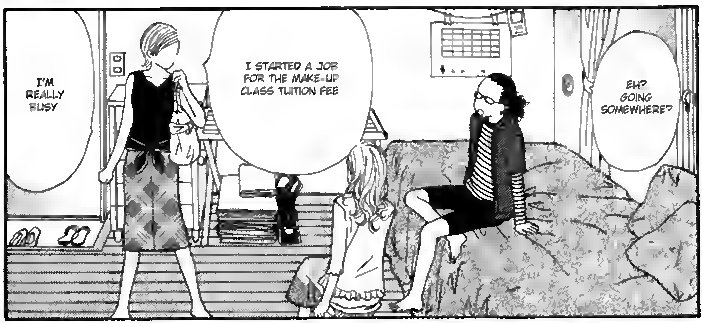
Anything and everything


I DON'T FEEL LIKE GOING ON A GROUP DATE
SO, DO YOU LIKE IT? I LEARNED IT IN MAKE-UP CLASS


YEAH, YOU'RE REALLY PRETTY
Really?
Eheh
THANKS FOR ALWAYS DOING MY MAKE UP
As usual it suits you
Ah, can I borrow this lipstick?
Sure

WELL I HAVE TO GO SOON.

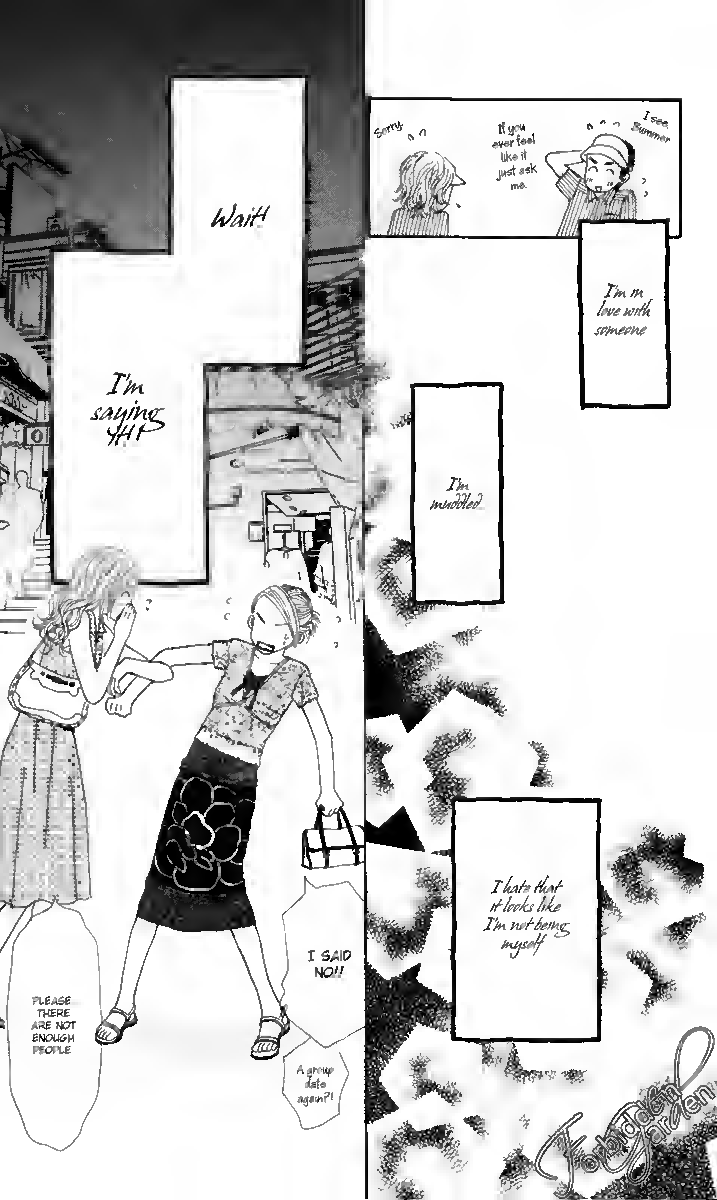
I SAID NO
I GO WITH YOU AND YOU HAVE ALL THE GUYS.
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT
No it really is


I'M REALLY BUSY
I STARTED A JOB FOR THE MAKE-UP CLASS TUITION FEE
EH? GOING SOMEWHERE?

HE HASN'T COME BY SINCE THEN EITHER
IT'S OKAY
THANKS TO YOU I FEEL RELIEVED THAT I BROKE UP WITH HIM PROPERLY
THANKS FOR GIVING ME THE CHANCE TO TALK WITH MAGARU
Good luck.
WOW
AH, MAKOTO
I'M SORRY IF I INTERFERED TOO MUCH
I...
ABOUT THE OTHER DAY
AH, THAT'S RIGHT I TURNED MY PHONE ON AGAIN TOO
WELL, I'M OFF.
It's like I made them break up.
What's with her?
Forbidden Garden

Work
Thanks for waiting
Make up class
I may have become so busy
KYA HAHA
that I've gradually settled into it.
Eh?!
Sensei, please teach us make-up
I'm late I'm late
THERE'S A LOT I HAVE TO DO
AHH, I'M SO BUSY
But I can't cut corners on being fashionable with my make-up

Finally
Alright Perfect
It feels like things have returned to normal
HEY ABE-SAN.
DO YOU HAVE A BOYFRIEND?
THUMP
EH?
NO...
LUCKY WHEN I FIRST MET YOU I THOUGHT YOU WERE PRETTY
HOW ABOUT ME?
SORRY..
I'M NOT INTERESTED IN DATING ANYONE RIGHT NOW


Wait!
I'm saying shit
PLEASE THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH PROFILE
I SAID NO!!
A group date again?!
I'm muddled
I'm in love with someone
Sorry
If you ever feel like it just ask me
I see. Summer
I hate that it looks like I'm not being myself
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The hotel we stayed at had a beach, undersea viewing platform, restaurants and a tour bus to go around in. It's like a little city in a resort hotel.

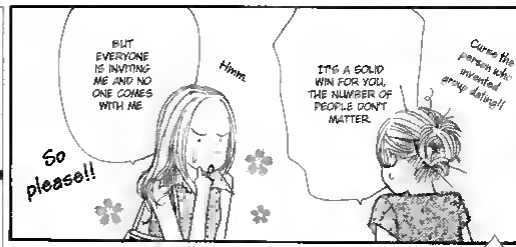
The cute red tour bus

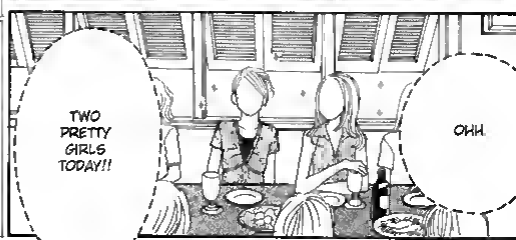
Standing before the ocean is very pretty. The rustling white sand is just what you'd expect in Okinawa! However I didn't think there would be anyone in the water for February.

Now there is.

I don't have beach sandals, just leather shoes (But I went in barefoot.)

In the summer there is surfing, marine sports, jet skiing and a pool that sounds fun too. Certainly during the on season. I think.


BUT EVERYONE IS INVITING ME AND NO ONE COMES WITH ME
Hmm.
So please!!
IT'S A SOLID WIN FOR YOU. THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE DON'T MATTER.
Curse the person who invented group dating!!



WHICH ONE ARE YOU GOING FOR?
I PREFER THE LONG HAIR ONE
I LIKE THE SHORT HAIR ONE
LUCKY!
Other girls
What's with that?
Hey now
HUH?
THEY'RE NOT JUST FAWNING OVER NORIKO BUT ME TOO
Why?
You're cute
Glad you could come
Ehh?
Nice to meet you
HUH?
Drink up
AH, THERE'S PEOPLE HERE TO TAKE YOU HOME TODAY SO DON'T WORRY
WHAT SHOULD I DO? I WAS GOING TO GO RIGHT HOME
IT'S NICE TO BE FAWNED OVER.
IT'S FINE GO IN.

I work at a cake shop I'll treat you next time
Really?
OH CUTE GIRLS HERE
BET YOU'RE GLAD YOU CAME!
BUT I TOLD YOU NOT TO.
I'M GOING HOME.
THE GROUP DATE WAS SET UP JUST FOR YOU
IT'S FINE YOU'LL FIND SOME NICE GIRL HERE
SORRY WE RE LATE
Ohh you came
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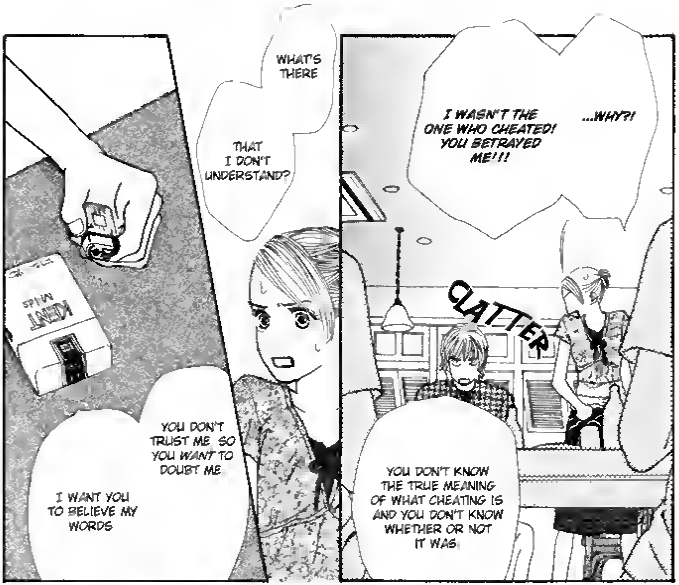
What were you doing?
Hard to get Shibukatsu
どかっ
HE NEEDS A GIRL TO CONSOLE HIM.
HIS GIRL JUST DUMPED HIM, SO HE'S WORN OUT GET HIM A DRINK
ISN'T THE LONGHAIRED ONE CUTE?
HEY WHICH ONE YOU WANT?
WELL, THIS IS THE GUY.
(SFX: THUD)

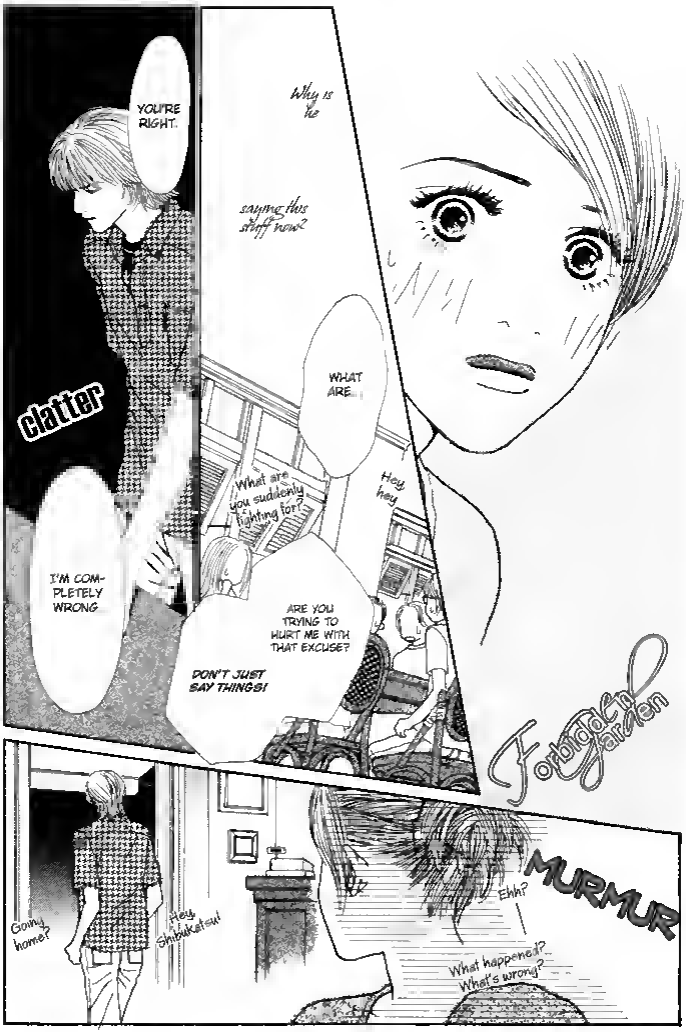
silence
What's your name girl?
Hey no cutting in!
SOMEHOW
FH?
.....
YOU LOOK BETTER THAN BEFORE.
WHY...
IS HE HERE OF ALL PLACES?
..YOU LOOK PRETTY.
What's he talking about?
And what do I do in this situation?
IS.. THAT SO?
JUST IN CASE, ARE YOU GOING TO SCREAM ABOUT THE MAKE-UP?

I'm sure..
he's certainly worn out
DISHEARTEN
I'M NOT GOOD AT THIS
I'LL TO GET YOU A DRINK
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
I DON'T GO TO SCHOOL
Every day?!
Every day
.....
I CAN'T RECOVER FROM THE CRUELTY OF IT ALL
he doesn't need sympathy!!
Well,
I FEEL NOTHING FOR MEN RIGHT NOW
IT MADE ME CRY
I MEANT NOTHING TO MY EX-BOYFRIEND AT ALL
I'VE HAD IT ROUGH TOO!!

What's that?
I want to just shout it out at him.
I wonder if I've been unconcerned with him breaking through.
IS THAT THE SAME AS NOT BEING IMPORTANT?
THAT MAY BE
I THINK THAT HE THOUGHT YOU WERE IMPORTANT.
I DO THINK THAT. THERE IS NO COMPROMISE AT ALL WITH YOU
chatter
chatter
chatter
I GET IT. I THINK THE ONE WHO HASN'T DONE ANYTHING WRONG IS THE PROBLEM


WHAT'S THERE
THAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND?
I WASN'T THE ONE WHO CHEATED! YOU BETRAYED ME!!!
...WHY?!
CLATTER
YOU DON'T TRUST ME SO YOU WANT TO DOUBT ME.
I WANT YOU TO BELIEVE MY WORDS
YOU DON'T KNOW THE TRUE MEANING OF WHAT CHEATING IS AND YOU DON'T KNOW WHETHER OR NOT IT WAS.

FOR EXAMPLE, TO TRULY CHEAT ON YOU,
KNOWING HOW IMPORTANT A GIRL-FRIEND IS,
I'D PROBABLY REGRET IT TILL THE DAY I DIE.


YOU'RE RIGHT.
Why is he
saying this stuff now?
clatter
WHAT ARE...!
Hey hey
What are you suddenly fighting for?
I'M COMPLETELY WRONG
ARE YOU TRYING TO HURT ME WITH THAT EXCUSE?
DON'T JUST SAY THINGS!
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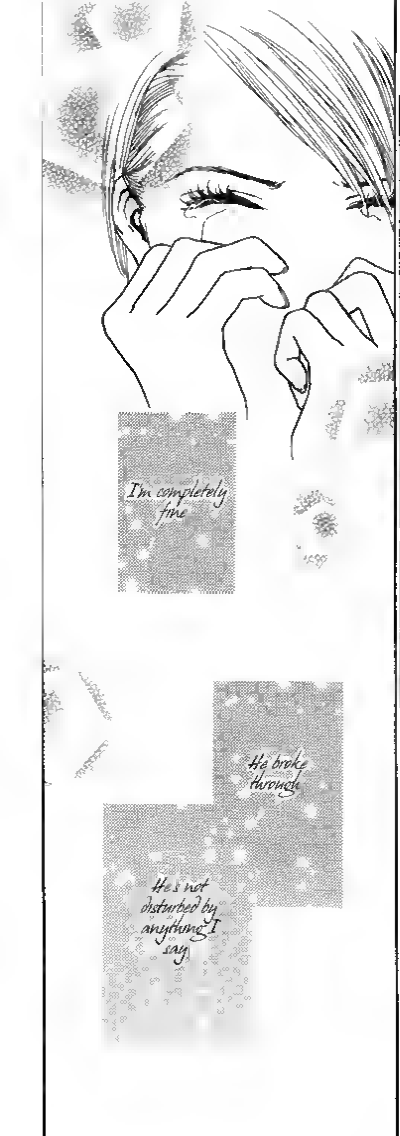
MURMUR
Ehh?
What happened? What's wrong?
Going home?
Hey, Shibukatsu!


I'm completely fine
He broke through
He's not disturbed by anything I say
MAKOTO...
ARE YOU OKAY?
...I'M OKAY

SORRY
I'M GOING HOME
I'VE HAD ENOUGH
THIS WAS A BAD IDEA.
SHOULD WE GO FOLLOW SHIRUKATSU-KUN?
IT'S FINE
LET HIM GO.
Makoto
Don't go
I'm being a terrible woman deluding him and crying over harsh lies.
I hate not being myself

However,
there's nothing
I can do
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I can't stop my love for him
It's as if he's a magnet

I SEE
I'LL GIVE HER BACK THE LIPSTICK I BORROWED
I NEVER SHOULD HAVE INVITED MAKOTO TO THE GROUP DATE YESTERDAY
SHE'S PROBABLY SO UPSET SHE HASN'T GOTTEN ANY SLEEP!
I feel responsible
AND THE CAKE?
THAT WAS TERRIBLE
knock
knock
MAKOTO
ARE YOU AWAKE?

Whether we revived from that or not
UGHHH
STOMP
STOMP
I'M LATE
we have a vague relationship
I PAID FOR THIS CLASS TO GET A JOB IN IT
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
I have free time
TAKE TODAY OFF FROM YOUR MAKE-UP CLASS
Fortune Arterial
WORRIED
It's my good luck charm to bring myself a little...
And yet
You're pretty enough
AND HOW DO YOU INTEND TO INCREASE YOUR SKILLS?
YOU DON'T HAVE THE TIME FOR BOTH WORK AND CLASSES

YOU WORRY TOO MUCH.
pat
My situation is like make-up.
pfft
THAT REMINDS ME, I QUIT MY JOB EARLIER.
WHAT?!
I'M OFF.
Like multicolored,
colorful magic.

Colorful Pallet
SCANNER kenushibi.jin84
TRANSLATOR kenushibi.jin84
PROOFREADER zonic
brought to you by...
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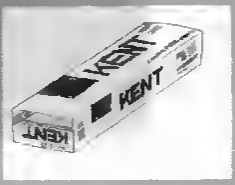
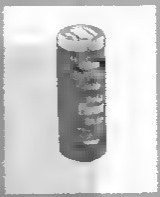


Cigarette pack.

Toothbrush.

T-shirt.

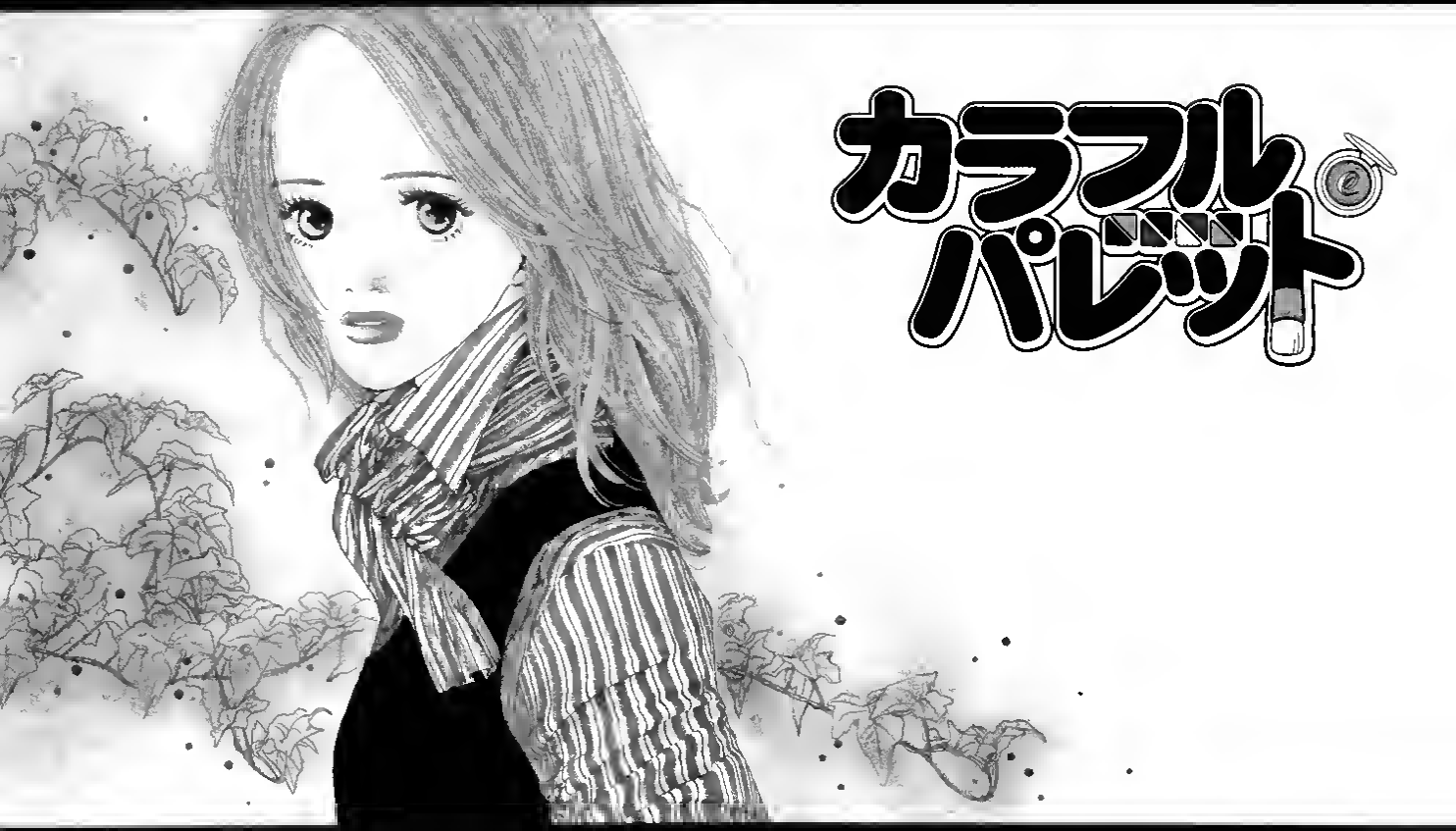


Shaker cheese can.

People leave a lot of things in a room.

We broke up a week ago and

I still don't feel like cleaning it up.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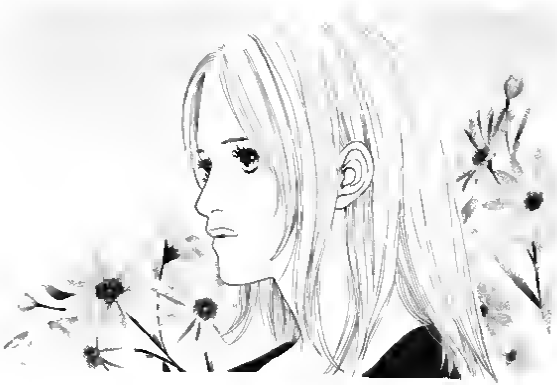

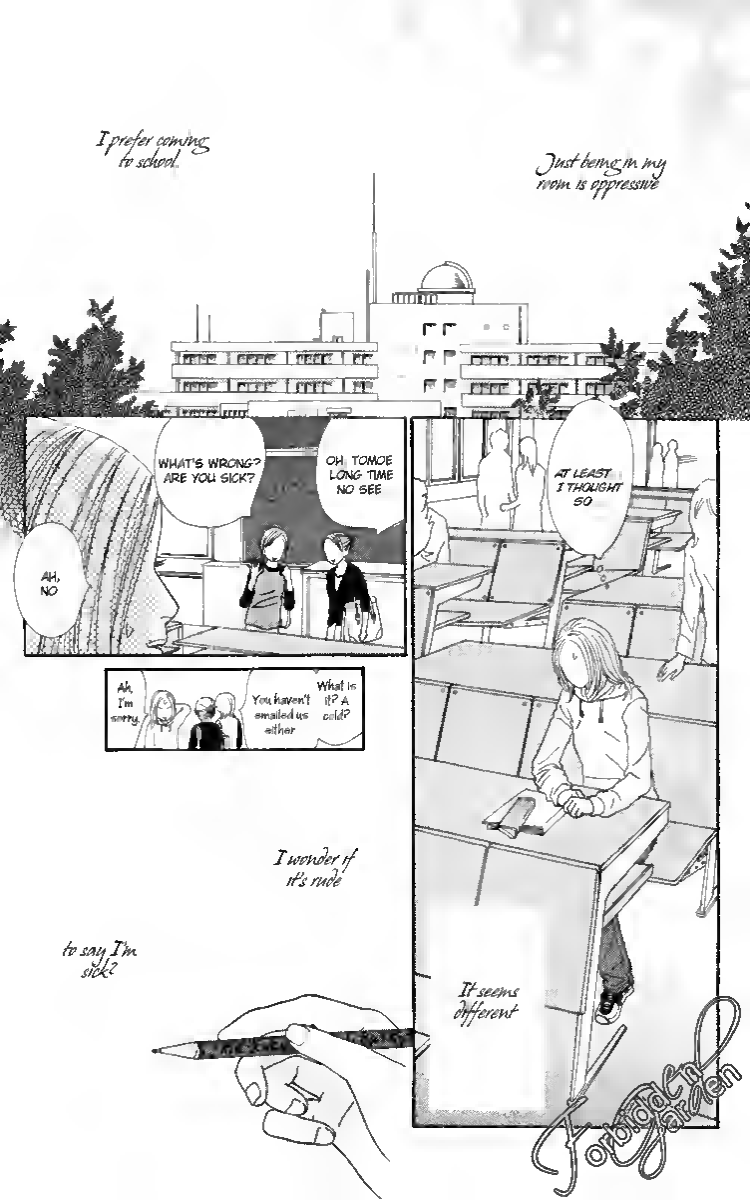
I prefer coming to school
Just being in my room is oppressive
WHAT'S WRONG? ARE YOU SICK?
OH, TOMOE LONG TIME NO SEE
AH, NO
AT LEAST, I THOUGHT SO
Ah, I'm sorry
You haven't emailed us either
What is it? A cold?
I wonder if it's rude
to say I'm sick?
It seems different
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Maybe this lethargic feeling
MORNING.
means I'm sick.
IS IT OKAY
TO SIT HERE?
SEE, I CAN'T
EVEN HOLD MY PEN.
MAKOTO WHAT'S WITH THE BAG?
AHH, SO HEAVY.
AH, SURE
THUD
EHH?
THAT'S ALL MY TEACHING MATERIALS FOR MAKE-UP CLASS TODAY
AND THEN THERE'S THE TUTOR WORKBOOK.

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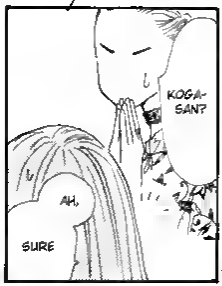

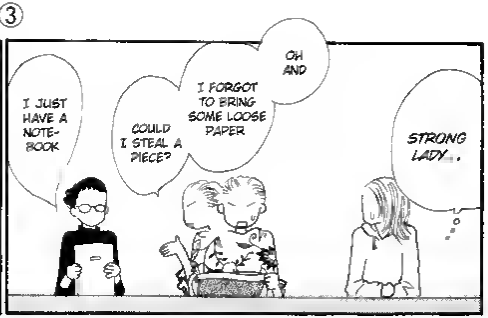

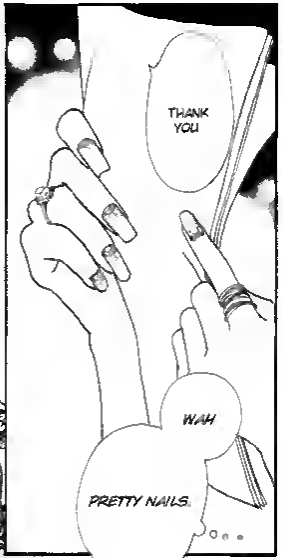

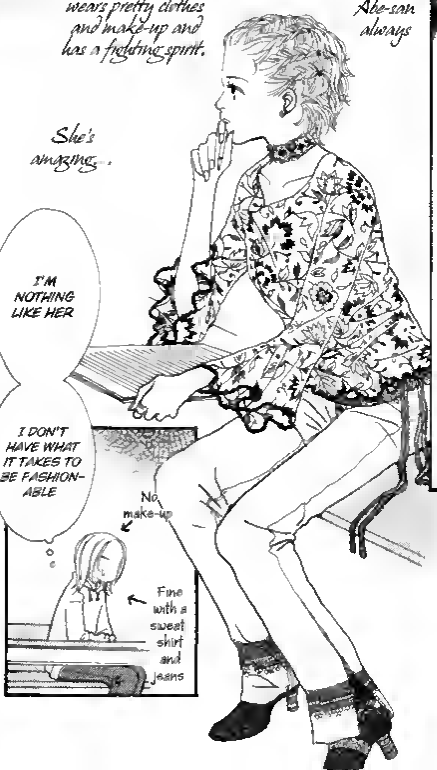
wears pretty clothes and make-up and has a fighting spirit.
Abe-san always
She's amazing...
I'M NOTHING LIKE HER
I DON'T HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BE FASHION-ABLE
No make-up
Fine with a sweat shirt and jeans

HEY, THE BOSS IS TREATING US TO DRINKS TOMORROW. ARE YOU GOING?
HM, PASS
GOT PLANS WITH SHIBUKATSU?
FOR NOW. TOMORROW IS MASARU'S BIRTHDAY. IT'S OUR THIRD ONE TOGETHER.
HMPH. CAN'T BE HELPED THEN.
SHE'S HAD A BOYFRIEND FOR THREE YEARS!!!
MOREOVER,
DEPRESSED
Even she has someone
Am I even
Somehow
Am I alone?
alone right now
she's so different from me...
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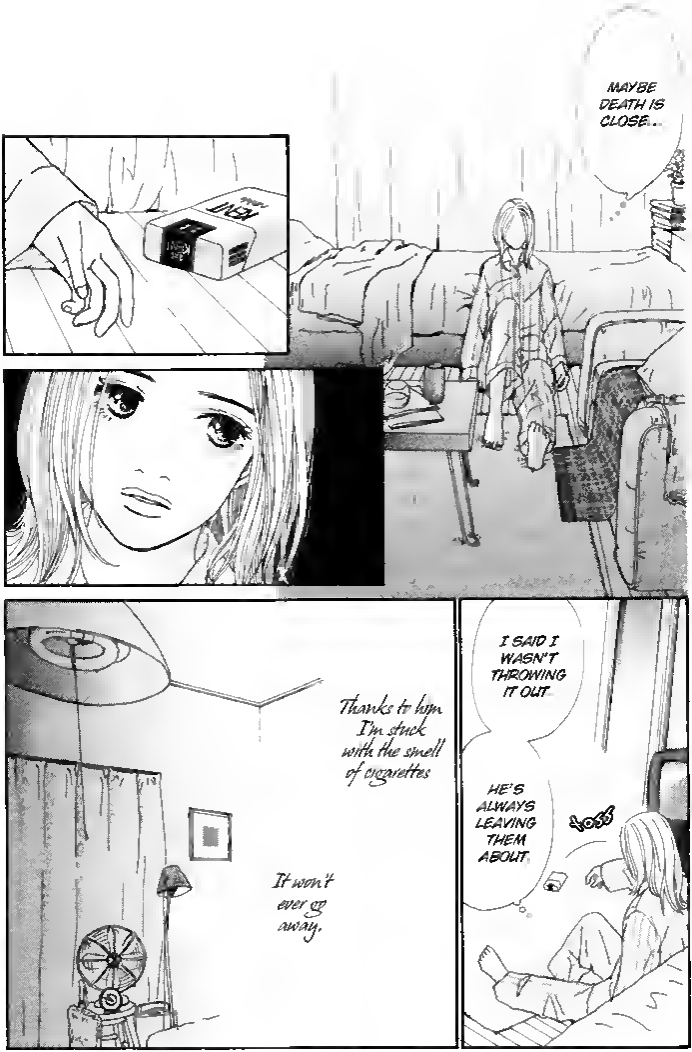
MAYBE DEATH IS CLOSE...
KENT
Thanks to him I'm stuck with the smell of cigarettes
It won't ever go away.
I SAID I WASN'T THROWING IT OUT.
HE'S ALWAYS LEAVING THEM ABOUT.
sob

It will always be on me too...
How can I get it to go away?
HUH?
KOGA-SAN!
ABE-SAN
WHERE ARE YOU GOING WEARING A SUIT?
ARE YOU PERHAPS GOING TO THE SAME 5 COMPANY JOB SESSION?

The hotel we stayed in for two nights had amenities towels pajamas and bed coverings all with bunnies on them

BUNNY ROOM

(Perfect children's trip)

Of course ← bunny pajamas aren't for adults

My daughter was super happy, so it's okay

I'm shooting for over there... I want to be a make up artist in the future

THAT'S RIGHT, SHE SAID SHE GOES TO MAKE-UP CLASSES...

ERMM...

NOTHING SPECIFIC...

KOGA-SAN, ARE YOU GOING FOR A JOB IN COSMETICS TOO?

Slacks off going to school but she just came for some reason

I DEFINITELY WANT TO WORK IN THIS FIELD!

I'm still choosing my own path to take.

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We had unfortunate weather the next day, but I fully enjoyed diving and seeing the fish on the underwater lookout

WOOOOOSH

We crossed the bridge to the lookout boat in really strong wind and rain. It's thrilling watching it fall in the ocean.

Underwater lookout boat

DUE TO BAD WEATHER, THIS WILL BE THE LAST OUTING

WOOOOSH

The fish were pretty

DOOM

OH YEAH

I'm falling into my own gap again

Honest lady

but wrong color

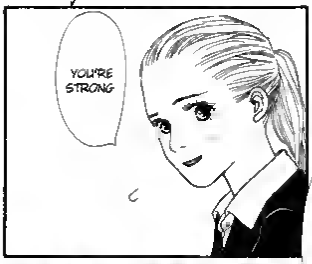
THANKS

AH, IT'S OKAY. THAT'S FINE

NO, I'LL RETURN THEM HERE.

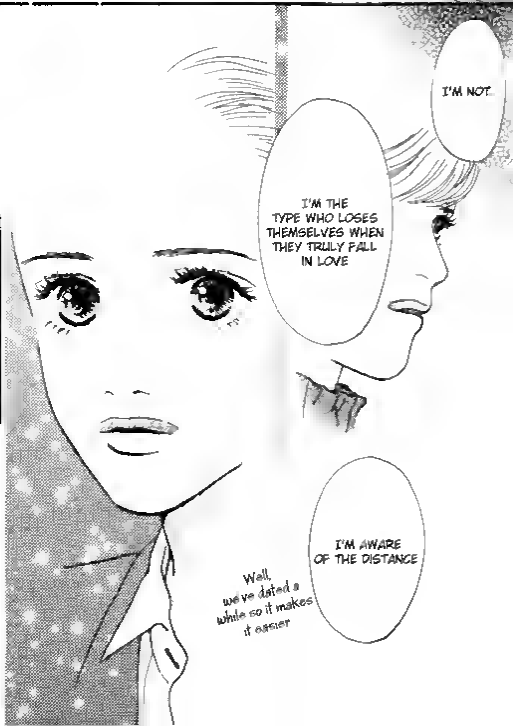
I THOUGHT I SHOULD RETURN THE PAPERS I BORROWED

EH?
THE SECRET TO LIVING STRONG
HEY
IF IT'S OKAY, WOULD YOU MIND TEACHING ME?
EH?
I MEAN, STRONG.
YOU ALWAYS SEEM BUSY AND YOU DO WELL WITH A BOY-FRIEND.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN STRONG?
WE'RE NOT DOING WELL
I-IS THAT SO?
ACTUALLY, WE'RE FIGHTING RIGHT NOW.
WE CONSTANTLY FIGHT AND THERE'S ALWAYS A CRISIS, THEN WE BREAK UP.
HE GOT A NOVEL AWARD DOESN'T WORK AND ACTS LIKE A BRAT
WE GO TO THE SAME COLLEGE BUT SEE EACH OTHER ONCE A WEEK
AND HE'S ALWAYS BUSY WITH HIS CIRCLE CLUB
(Then we just fight)



I can see she's strong...

I don't understand why people don't say it.


I'M NOT.
I'M THE TYPE WHO LOSES THEMSELVES WHEN THEY TRULY FALL IN LOVE
I'M AWARE OF THE DISTANCE
Well, we've dated a while so it makes it easier

I always feel like a part of me never fell in love.
I wonder if I ever get completely absorbed in something till I lose myself in it.
Right now
I can't think of anything that makes up even half of me
HEY, KOGA-SAN
ZOOOOOOM
WE STILL HAVE TIME TILL IT STARTS
WANT TO GO TO THE BATHROOM?
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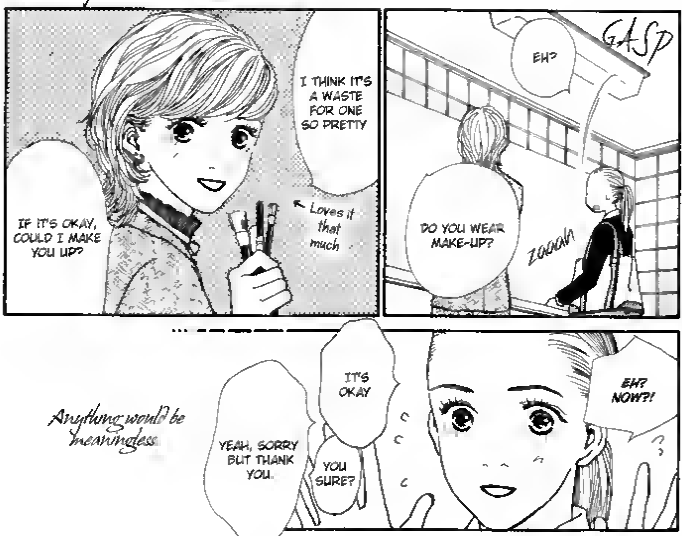

Anything would be meaningless.

I don't care about trying to doll myself up now

When we were still dating, we went to the sea for the first time together.
I slipped and was soaked through on the beach.
SPLASH
I was dressed up, so it was a shock to me.
While we laughed, he held me close.
Then we kissed for the first time

The summer was fun. I made him pasta in his room.
But when fall came around
...he ignored me, never looking in my direction.
Gyaah!
I use shaker cheese
I said I hate it!
Though I knew, I didn't say anything.
And then,
My sweet boyfriend continued to deceive me as if it didn't hurt me
I thought he would come back
"I KIND OF HURT YOU, DIDN'T I?"
"I'M SORRY."
"I LIKE SOMEONE ELSE NOW."
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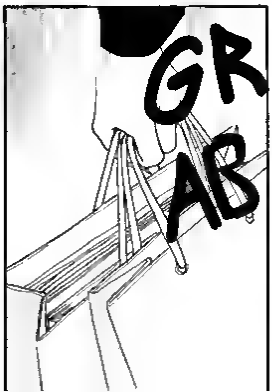
It was over without me saying anything I wanted to say

How long was I being dragged along?

I regretted the whole thing after that.

"I UNDERSTAND. WE'LL BREAK UP."

Why at that time could I not say what was in my heart?



WHAT DID I COME HERE FOR?
SLIDE
ABE-SAN ASKED VIGOROUS QUESTIONS
Bye Ishiwe another company to go to after this See you at school
Definitely strong.
SPLASH
MY MIND WASN'T ON THE CONFERENCE AT ALL.
ALL THIS MATERIAL FOR NOTHING...
I DIDN'T BRING AN UMBRELLA!!!
ZAAAH

AH WELL
zaaah
sigh
IT WAS FINE OUT TILL THE STATION
BUT THERE AREN'T ANY TAXIS AROUND
KHCHANG
YEAH, YEAH. MY BAGS ARE ALL SOAKED.
IT'S ROUGH
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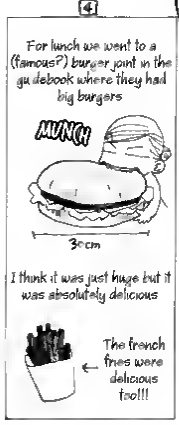
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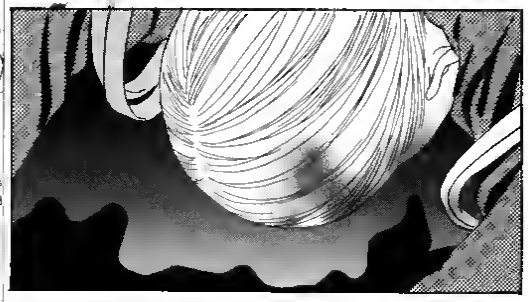
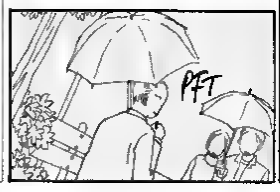
For lunch we went to a (famous?) burger joint in the gu debook where they had big burgers
MUNCH
30cm
I think it was just huge but it was absolutely delicious
The french fries were delicious too!!!

I discovered the hotel had ceramic classes on the premises! I quickly signed up and spent a long while on the wheel.
Somehow or other I can't be on a trip that has a ceramics class and not do it
But I wasn't the only beginner there.
How many years have you done this?
sob
Tears of joy
The teacher helped me make something.
Later I brought back a mug
I forgot you had to burn what you make and brought it with me For a moment I thought "What's that?"

SPLASH
AH!
TEAR

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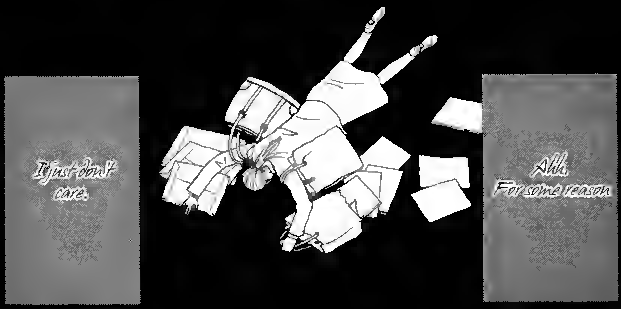
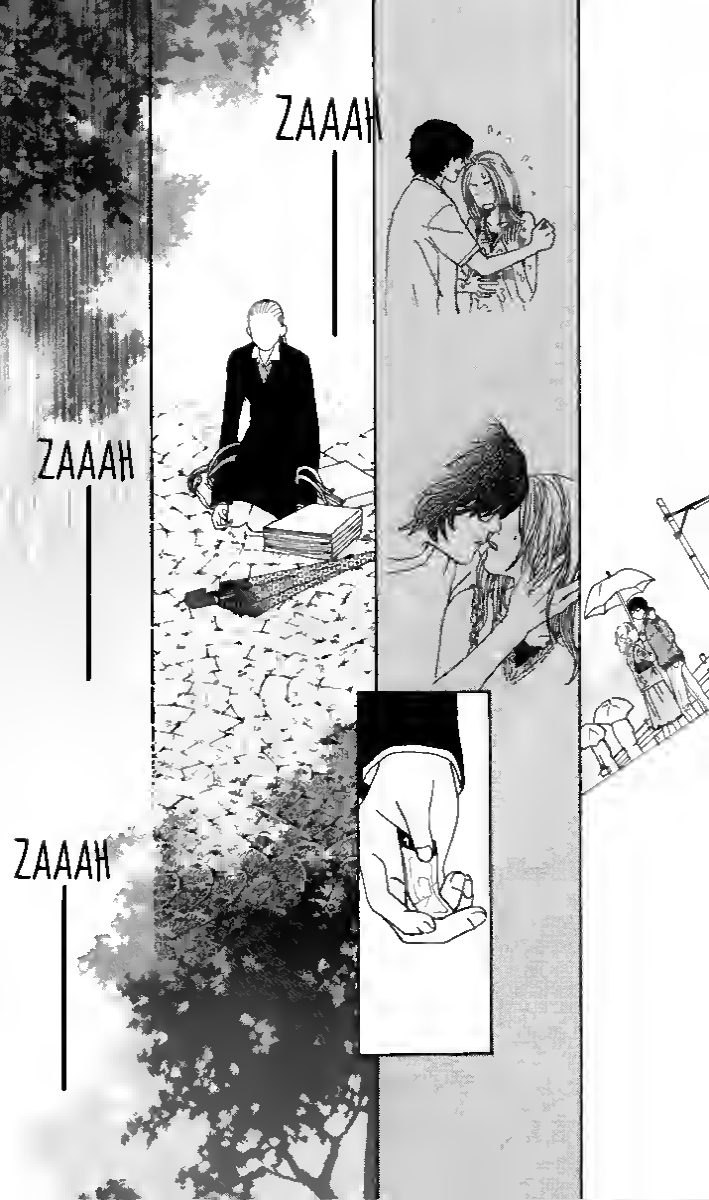


And anyway, I don't have any redeeming qualities. My boyfriend even dumped me because I have nothing anyone wants.

TOMOE?!
*THE AUTHOR LEFT THESE BUBBLES BLANK.

ZAAAH
ZAAAH
ZAAAH
ZAAAH


ZAAAH
ZAAAH
ZAAAH

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sigh
STUMP
COUGH
COUGH
riiing
riiing

riiing
riiing
riiing
(RAW)
riiing
SIGH
riiing
GASP
riiing
riiing
riiing
riiing
COUGH
HELLO?
Ah.
It's me.

I'm an idiot...

he called me but

I hope I'm up to the task this time.

Did you get home okay the other day?

YE-YEAH.

Listen,

do I still have bags of my things at your place?

YOU DO.

WHEN-EVER...

Then I'll come and get them.

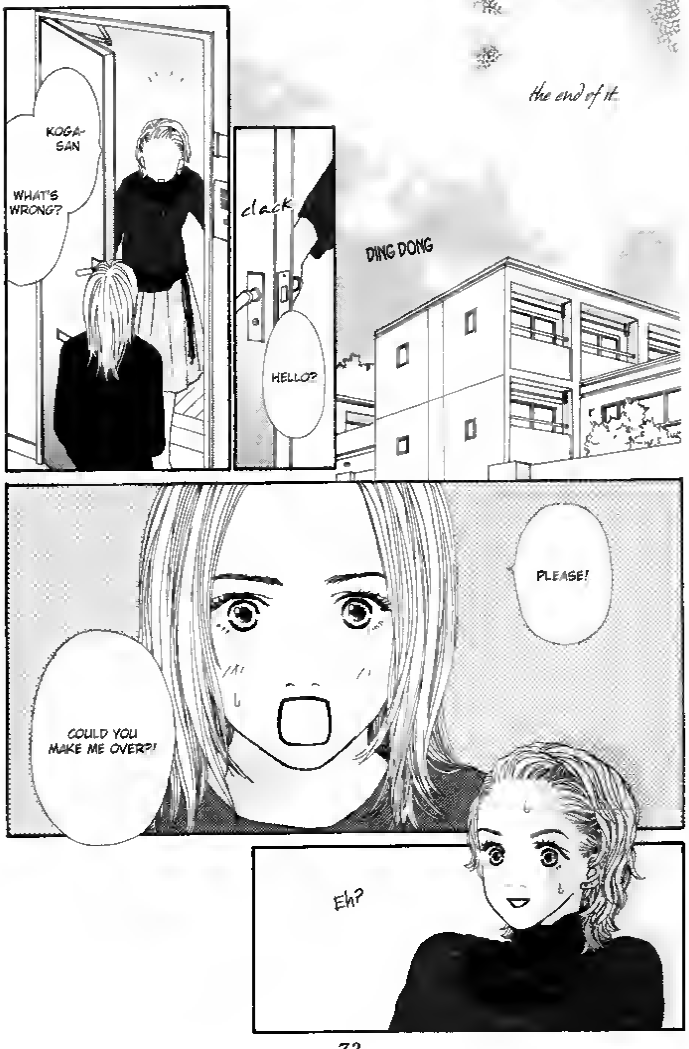
When is good for you?

Then I'll come tonight.

Bye

CLICK

DONG
GASP
SHOULD I CLEAN UP BEFORE HE COMES?!!
BAGS
NOTHING IS IN ORDER.
DOOM
WHAT AM I IN A HURRY FOR?
BUT WILL HE COME UP TO MY ROOM...?
GASP
I always kept it sparkling clean until we broke up!!!
I CAN'T LET HIM SEE THIS ROOM!!!
grab
Surely this is really
Deep breathing →WHEEZE
Calm down
Calm down.
That's right!!


the end of it
KOGA-SAN
WHAT'S WRONG?
clack
HELLO?
DING DONG
PLEASE!
COULD YOU MAKE ME OVER?!
Eh?

I'M SURE HE'LL LOOK BACK ON IT AND WANT TO SCREAM
Leave it to me!
I'LL USE EVERY ONE OF MY SKILLS ON YOU! YOU'LL BE PRETTY WITH A NATURAL LOOK!!
SORRY FOR ASKING SO SUDDENLY.
NO PROBLEM I ENJOY DOING THIS!
YOU'RE SEEING YOUR EX-BOYFRIEND TONIGHT?
I
I SEE
I'm in your care
thump
pat
Boyfriend
I HAVEN'T WORN MAKE-UP FOR MASARU EITHER
I SHOULD CALL HIM AND FIX OUR RELATION-SHIP
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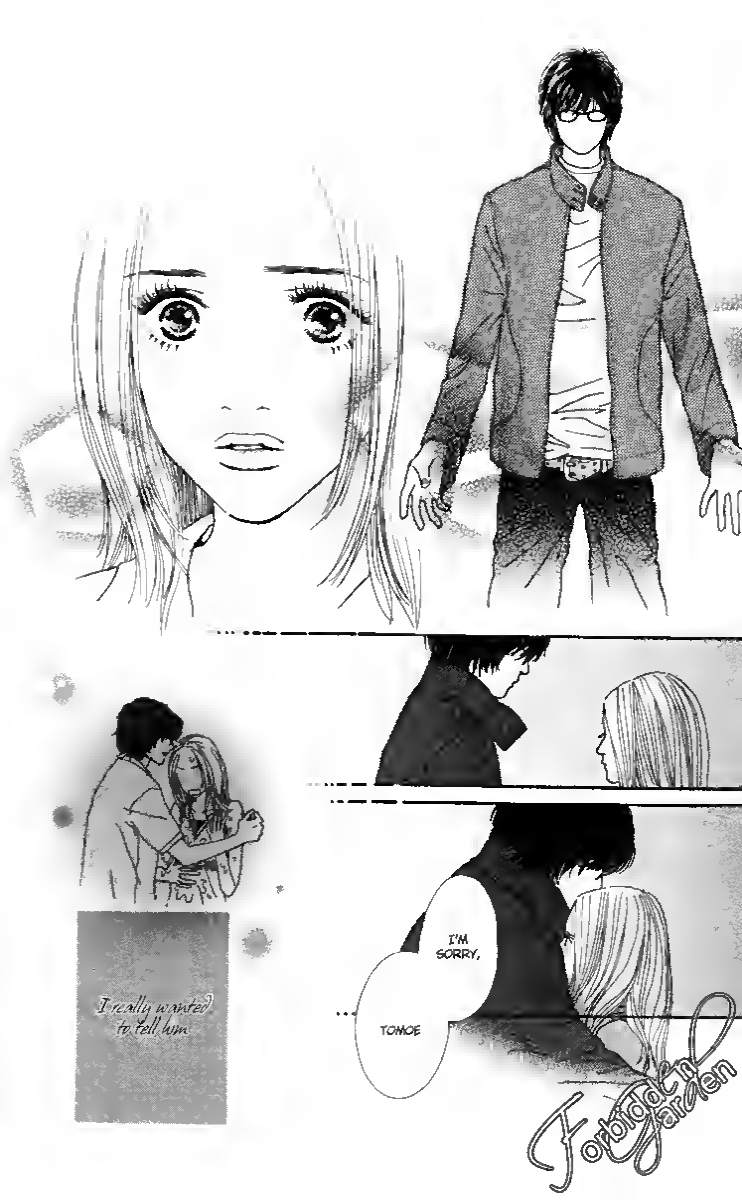
DING DONG
AH
THANKS
ERM
HOLD ON
I'LL GET YOUR BAGS
clack
AH
COME IN

.....
YOU MIGHT FIND SOME USE FOR THEM
THAT'S TRUE.
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO WITH THE PLATES?
I have no regret left.
YOU EVEN PUT THE SHAKER CHEESE IN IT...
HAHA
BECAUSE I DON'T USE IT
THANKS FOR THE UMBRELLA THE OTHER DAY.
I THINK THIS IS ALL OF IT
.....
ABOUT TODAY...
UMM
I should tell him what I wanted to say.
EH?
UM,
NOTHING

I made a list of them in my diary!
I CAN'T DO ANY-THING!!!
HORROR
THERE WAS JUST SO MUCH!!!
What's wrong with me? That girl is cute, but she's the wrong type for you. I've tried not to say it but why did you go opposite?
WHAT?
.....
UMM
I WANT TO TELL HIM.
UMM
.....
heh
I WILL.
TELL
YOUR GIRLFRIEND I SAY THANKS FOR THE BAND-AID
BYE

WAIT UP!
Are we really over now?
WAI-
EH?
It's over?
WHAT?
UM
UMM
FOR THE LAST TIME?
WILL ...
YOU HOLD ME ONCE
MORE

I...
I MEAN
THAT'S WRONG, HUH?
hahaha
drop
SURE


I'M SORRY, TOMOE
I really wanted to tell him
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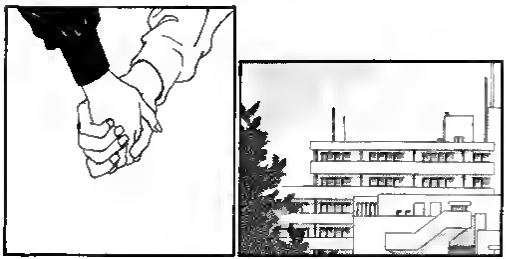
I STILL LOVE YOU.
I STILL LOVE YOU.
I STILL LOVE YOU.
I murmured it many, many times inside my heart.
However, it never came out of my mouth.
Bye

That night I finally cried my heart out.



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I THINK I WANT TO MAKE THAT IMPORTANT.
THANK YOU.
ITS BECAUSE OF YOU
UNTIL NOW I HAVEN'T DONE MUCH WITH MAKE-UP MAYBE IT'S NOT THE WORDS TO SAY
EH? NOT AT ALL
It's not like that
WHEN YOU MADE ME UP YESTERDAY
IT GAVE ME COURAGE.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'VE BEEN MEEK
WELL, I SHOULD BE THANKING YOU
EH?
No umm
Ah, so it's love between you two
fufu

Then, softly apply pressure on the back.

Have a little bit of self-confidence with colorful colors and spread them with pearl brush.

Even I want someone to have that magic

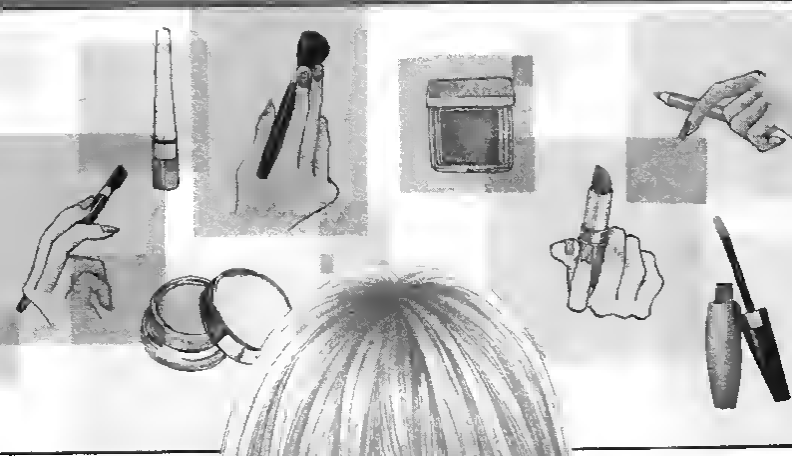
Colorful Pallet
SCANNER
TRANSLATOR
Brought to you by...
Forbidden Garden.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

LOVE, THE FORBIDDEN GARDEN STAFF

FG
Come join the fun!
Party with the FG crew!
CALLING ALL
translators
editors
quality control
APPLY TODAY!

It takes 18 minutes for a professional make-up artist to make me up.



While it takes me 45 minutes everyday.

カラフルパレット

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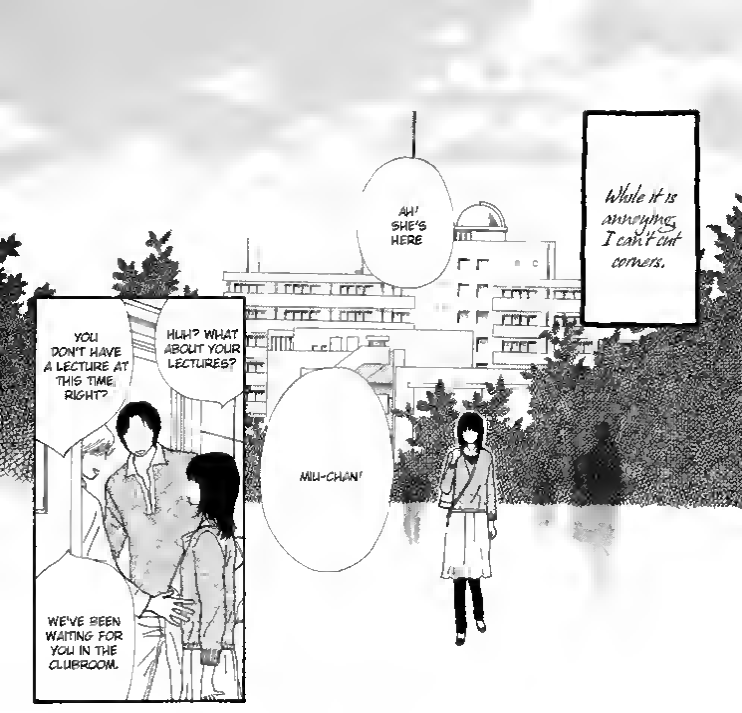
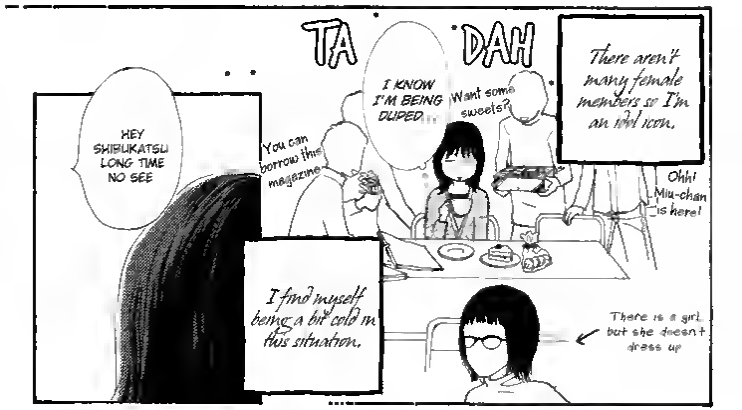
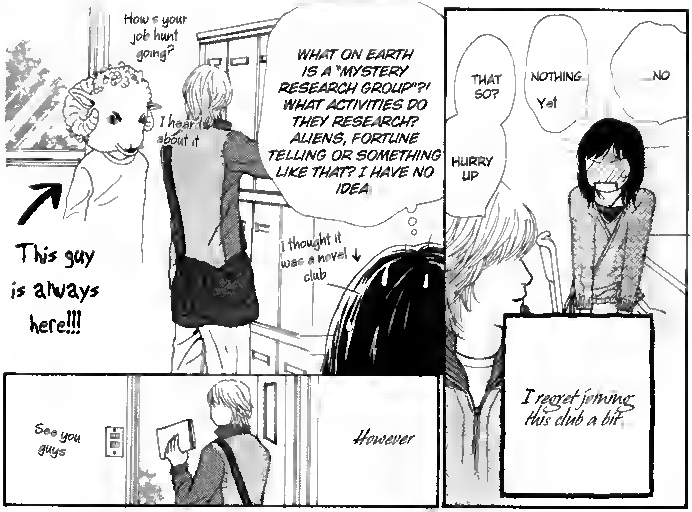
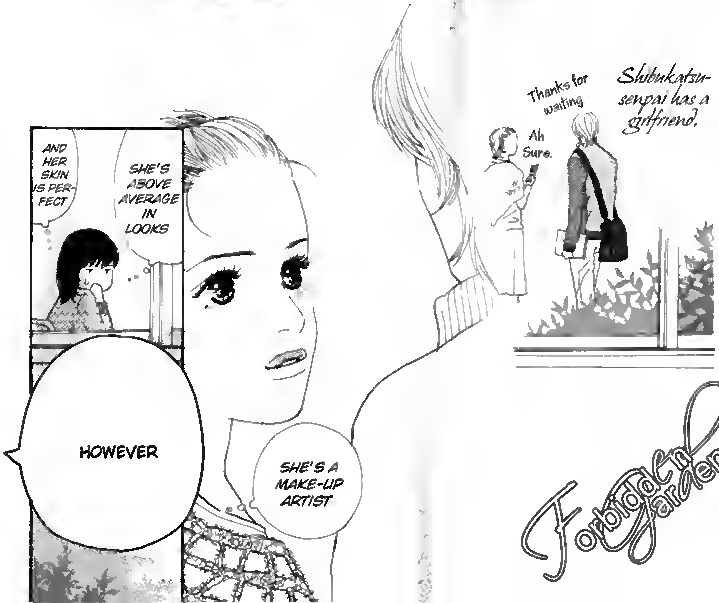

While it is annoying, I can't cut corners.
AH! SHE'S HERE
MIU-CHAN!
HUH? WHAT ABOUT YOUR LECTURES?
YOU DON'T HAVE A LECTURE AT THIS TIME, RIGHT?
WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU IN THE CLUBROOM.


TA DAH
There aren't many female members so I'm an idol icon.
I KNOW I'M BEING DUPED...
Want some sweets?
You can borrow this magazine
Ohh! Miu-chan is here!
HEY SHIBUKATSU LONG TIME NO SEE
I find myself being a bit cold in this situation.
There is a girl but she doesn't dress up

Hey
What's up? You never come here
Shubukatsu-senpai,
he won an award for a mystery novel he wrote.
Shi buya Mis a ru / Shi bu' Kat su
I just came to get my bag.
I've wanted to get into this club for a long time just for him.
I aim to be an author too!!!
I see
OH, WATANABE
HAVE YOU WRITTEN ANYTHING INTERESTING?
I want to forget it
I NEVER.. EVEN WROTE A NOVEL


How's your job hunt going?
I hear it's about it
This guy is always here!!!
WHAT ON EARTH IS A "MYSTERY RESEARCH GROUP"?! WHAT ACTIVITIES DO THEY RESEARCH? ALIENS, FORTUNE TELLING OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT? I HAVE NO IDEA
I thought it was a novel club
THAT SO?
NOTHING Yet
NO
HURRY UP
I regret joining this club a bit.
See you guys
However


Thanks for waiting
Ah Sure.
Shibukawa-senpai has a girlfriend.
AND HER SKIN IS PERFECT
SHE'S ABOVE AVERAGE IN LOOKS
HOWEVER
SHE'S A MAKE-UP ARTIST
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SHIBUKATSU'S GIRLFRIEND IS PRETTY
WELL, NO MORE THAN YOU ARE, WATANABE-SAN. I REALLY PREFER HIS GIRLFRIEND THOUGH
AND THIS GIRL, THIS GIRL, AND THIS GIRL IN THIS MAGAZINE AS WELL
JERK!
SO THIS IS ABOUT LEVELS?
I hate that this guy, Ikeuchi Jinsuke, is in the club.
This girl is a bit icy, but I can deal with that

SWISH
He doesn't usually spit out occult enthu siasm
Do you know of it?
There's this book called Adam's Ski
SOMEHOW THIS GUY KNOWS I LIKE SHIBUKATSU
Moreover for some reason...
WHACK
Some reason
when I see his face...

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YOU'RE EVEN CUTER THAN THE GIRLS IN THE MAGAZINE

ALL THE SENPAI'S SAY SO EVEN SHIBUKATSU...

IT'S NOT ABOUT THAT!!!

I'M GIVING GOOD ADVICE

I just want to hit him.

WAH!

YOU'RE PRETTIER! YOU WIN!

I GET IT!

UWAH

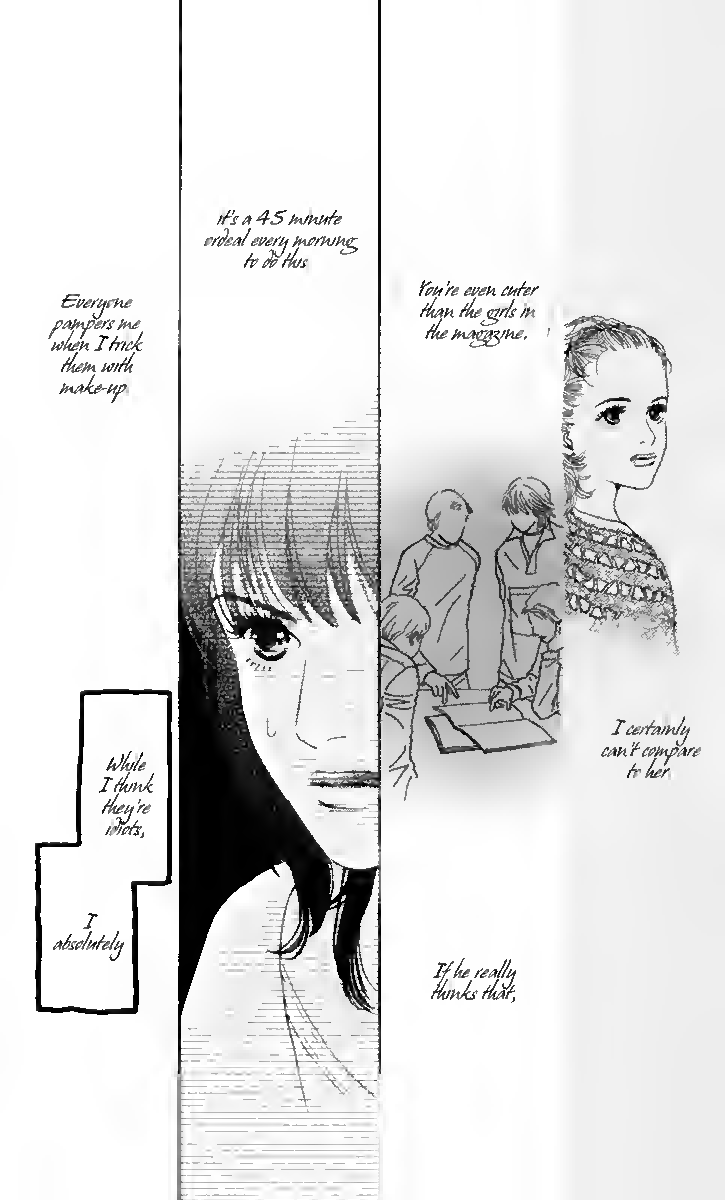
JERK!!!

SHIBUKATSU-SENPAI IS NOT THE TYPE OF PERSON TO GO BY LOOKS!!!

But actually

he influences me the most...

THAT SO? hehaha


It's a 45 minute ordeal every morning to do this
Everyone pampers me when I trick them with make-up
While I think they're idiots,
I absolutely
You're even cuter than the girls in the magazine.
I certainly can't compare to her
If he really thinks that,

can't let them see me without make-up.
Welcome Freshmen
Friendship Training Camp
UFO sightings meeting
Date and time
Location
About
can't go
Oh, I
Senpai
I WONDER IF SHIBUKATSU IS GOING
IT'S TOO MUCH FOR EVEN ME TO GO AND WHERE WOULD I STAY?!
OHHH
Is it Takahara time yet?
Alright Let's drink
Hah
UFO?
ONCE AGAIN I DON'T UNDERSTAND..
NEW MEMBERS ARE OBLIGATED TO GO!
Attendance
IT'S TOO DANGEROUS. THEY'D SEE MY PLAIN FACE
Watanabe won't be showing up

We spent teatime in the hotel lounge. Just something to pass the time. It was really laid-back...

A wedding ceremony was going on

So nice

What a good place for a wedding

munch munch

My daughter stuffed herself with a platter of fruit

The souvenirs we bought

I bought these for myself

A little lion talisman

We spent the whole time at the hotel. I noticed we ate French and Chinese but nothing Okinawan. (When we dressed we ate some Souk Soba.) At least we bought some Okinawan drinks

Shekwasha juice tastes like orange a bit

YAY!

YOU NEED TO SHOW ONE SKILL

And no binge drinking!!!

IT'S A YEARLY CUSTOM!!!

Quit it Just show us

I'm without words

Oh my, what will I do?

I knew

I made a mistake joining this club

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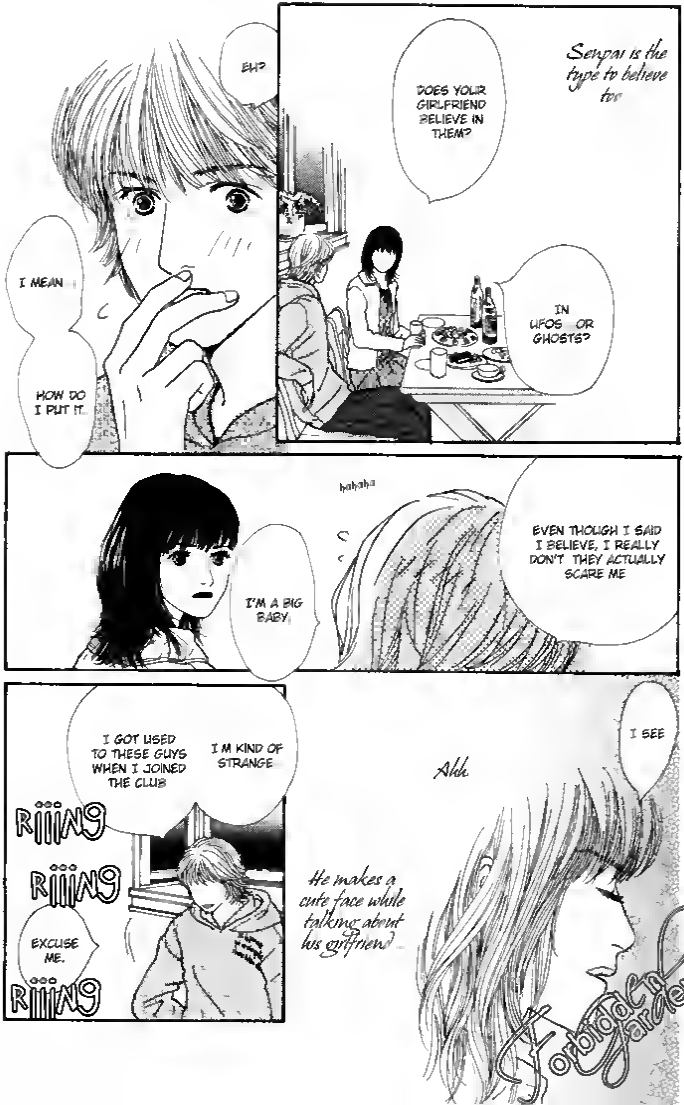
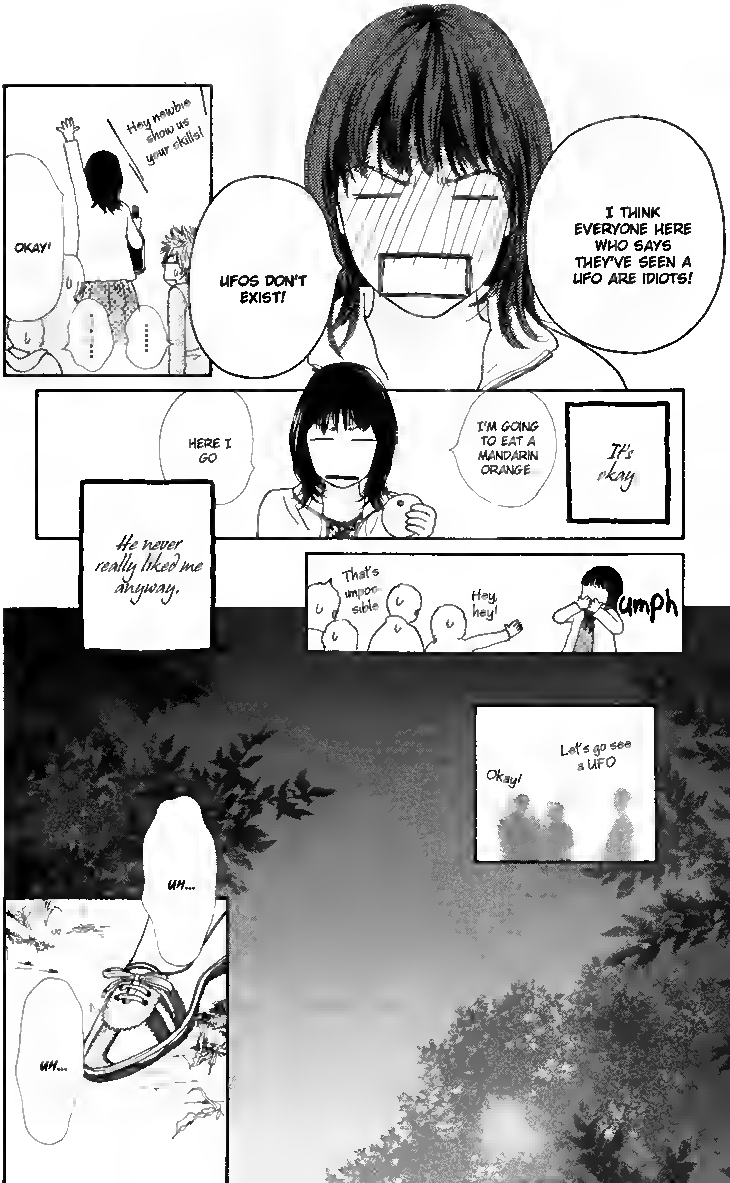
GYAHAHA
IT'S JUST A DRINKING PARTY
.....
SIGH
OF ALL THE PLACES...
DO YOU BELIEVE IT?
THERE ARE ACTUALLY PEOPLE HERE FOR UFOS.
Serious club members.
I'll send the video around.
The UFO is here
SHE'S EVEN HERE TOO
of kids
KYAAH
I'm in a club full

hahaha
AH, THAT SO? I SEE
I'M SORRY.
No need to apologize.
EVERYONE IS JUST TALKING
I DON'T THINK ANYONE HAS ACTUALLY SEEN ONE.
HE'S NEXT TO ME.
Kyaah! Stop it!
AH... HAHA.
Look, it's outside the window
IN TRUTH, I DON'T BELIEVE THEY'VE EVER SEEN ONE...
IN UFOS.
BUT IT WOULD BE AWESOME TO SEE ONE.


Senpai is the type to believe in...
DOES YOUR GIRLFRIEND BELIEVE IN THEM?
IN UFOS OR GHOSTS?
EH?
I MEAN...
HOW DO I PUT IT...
EVEN THOUGH I SAID I BELIEVE, I REALLY DON'T THEY ACTUALLY SCARE ME
hahaha
I'M A BIG BABY.
I SEE
Ahh
I'M KIND OF STRANGE
I GOT USED TO THESE GUYS WHEN I JOINED THE CLUB
RIIING
RIIING
RIIING
EXCUSE ME.
He makes a cute face while talking about his girlfriend
Forbidden Garden

However
I never understood the reason why I joined.
I'LL CALL YOU LATER
HELLO?
YEAH WHAT?
WE'RE TALKING AT SOME HALL
CHUG
hick
WHAT?
EHHH?
OBSER-VATION PREPPING
Is it enough?
This was the only tape
I see
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, IKEUCHI?


I THINK EVERYONE HERE WHO SAYS THEY'VE SEEN A UFO ARE IDIOTS!
UFOS DON'T EXIST!
Hey, maybe show us your skills!
OKAY!
It's okay
I'M GOING TO EAT A MANDARIN ORANGE
HERE I GO
He never really liked me anyway.
That's impossible
Hey, hey!
Umph
Okay!
Let's go see a UFO
UH...
UH...

How boring
WELL, WE DID TRY TO STOP YOU
LET...
LET GO OF ME! I CAN WALK MYSELF!
LOOKS LIKE SHIBUKATSU GAVE YOU THE COLD SHOULDER. I KNOW THE FEELING.
MIU-CHAN IS FEELING A LITTLE CONFUSED, IKEUCHI
THAT'S RIGHT
UMM
YOU ATE AN ORANGE AFTER DRINKING TOO MUCH
ACKK.

THIS GUY
Well, I won't say why
It was pure luck he sat next to you
PUFF UP YOUR CHEST LIKE THIS AND TALK IN A SWEET VOICE
SHIBUKATSU WILL GET ALL DIZZY
HAVE YOU TRIED MORE SEX APPEAL?
YOU ARE BEAUTIFUL
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DO MEN ONLY LOOK AT A WOMAN'S FACE AND CHEST?!
YOU'RE A JERK!!!
What? What?
HAHAHA I UNDERSTAND

That's just like him.
WELL ANYWAY

I DON'T BELIEVE IN SUPERNATURAL EVENTS.
YOU ONLY JOINED THIS CLUB FOR SHIBUKATSU.
GOOD LUCK

.....
FINE
I'LL QUIT THE CLUB AND NEVER COME BACK
THAT'S YOUR DECISION.
BUT YOU'RE ACTING AS IF EVERYONE IS AN IDIOT

.....
Oh, watch your step
.....
THAT'S NOT THE REASON I'M QUITTING.

I HATE YOU!
ESPECIALLY YOUR FACE!
AND I REALLY HATE YOUR GLASSES!!!
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That's right!!!
GLASSES?
AH... MY
UH!
EH?
EH?
WOW!
GET A HOLD OF YOURSELF!
TURN
TURN

We went sightseeing too at Shuri-jou Park. It was huge and beautiful. (It seems too big.)

The commemoration photography and national costumes at the Shureimon were pretty.

I found a superb soft serve both when I got tired.

It was hard buying from two of the same stores.

The red pumpkin flavor was delicious.

I was impressed with the Okinawan lion statues, but the gate was just a normal gate.

That's how I felt.

HACK

HACK

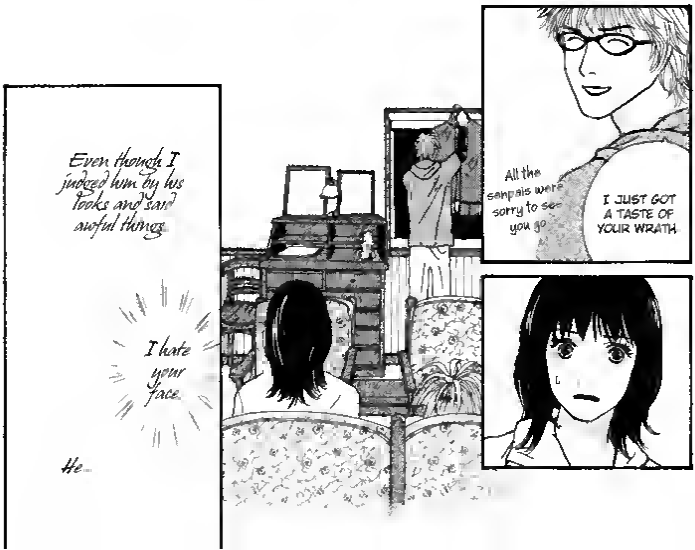
HACK

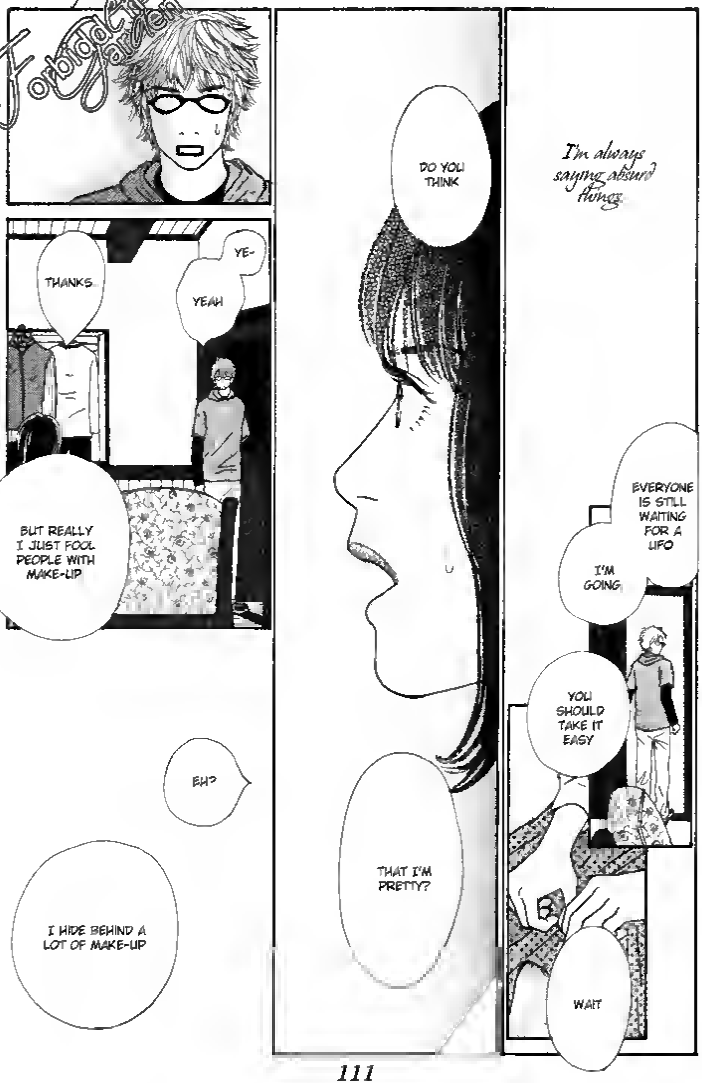
WAAH!

Ahh.

I'm so quitting this club!!!

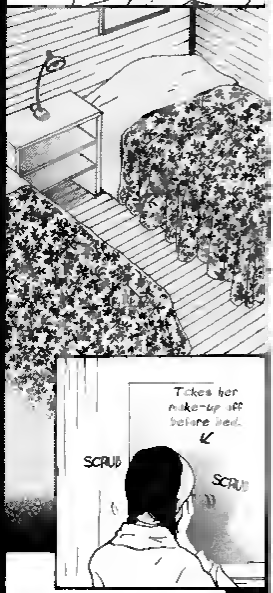
There's still the heater in the room so I'm alright them here
YEAH
AH
ARE YOU OKAY?
SORRY I DIRTIED YOUR CLOTHES
IT'S OKAY


I JUST GOT A TASTE OF YOUR WRATH
All the sempais were sorry to see you go
Even though I judged him by his looks and said awful things
I hate your face
He


I'm always saying absurd things.
DO YOU THINK
THAT I'M PRETTY?
EH?
I HIDE BEHIND A LOT OF MAKE-UP
BUT REALLY I JUST FOOL PEOPLE WITH MAKE-UP
THANKS.
YE-
YEAH
EVERYONE IS STILL WAITING FOR A LIFO
I'M GOING.
YOU SHOULD TAKE IT EASY
WAIT

EH...?
I HAVE A BRIDGE NOSE
Uh, okay
ALONG WITH MY BRIDGE NOSE I HAVE TO SHAPE MY EYEBROWS
↑ Opinion
WHEN MY BOYFRIEND IN HIGH SCHOOL SAW ME WITHOUT MAKE-UP
Waah! What's with your face?!
I was tricked!
doong
She always were make-up when she met him. She accidentally met him for school without make-up.
HE DUMPED ME
YOU LOOK LIKE
MY EX-BOYFRIEND
YOU EVEN HAVE THE SAME GLASSES

AH
OKAY
I UNDER-STAND
SO...
I DON'T REALLY HATE YOU
I ONLY HATE YOU A LITTLE. I JUST CAN'T SAY IT RIGHT.
HAHAHA
BUT DOES YOUR HATRED OF ME CHANGE AT ALL?
NO NEED TO BEAT YOURSELF UP. I GET THE GIST OF IT.
WELL, I'M GOING BACK
SEE YOU
NIGHT



It's hopeless.

I hate this unattractive face.

I just burst out in anger at Ikeuchi

I'm such an idiot.

FLOP

I feel so exposed and defenseless until I put make-up on.

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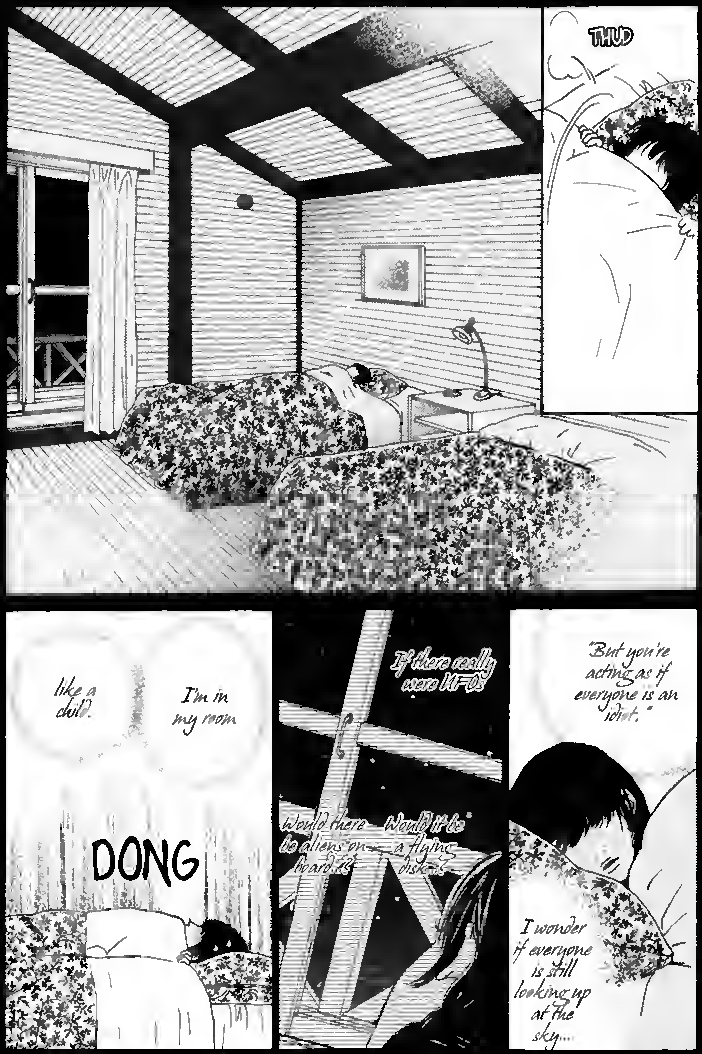

THUD
"But you're acting as if everyone is an idiot."
I wonder if everyone is still looking up at the sky...
If there really were UFOs
Would there be aliens on board?
Would it be a flying disk...?
like a child?
I'm in my room
DONG

I
wonder if everyone will come back soon.
shiver shiver shiver
silence
Am I the only one in this boarding house...?
GYAAAH
Wha-
What the?!
Did something happen?!
Who?!
twip
twip
SITS UP

Oh no
Oh no.
Gyoooooh
kyaaah

AH
IT'S ME
HUH!
I THOUGHT WE NEEDED SOME ENTERTAINMENT
OH, IT WAS IKEUCHI?
aha haha
I WAS SO SURPRISED
SENPAI ...?
I'M UP NEXT
Calm adult image
gasp
that stupid prank
stum ble
I fell for

What do I do?
I'm not
That is true
I never did see a UFO
wearing any make-up!!!
Want to go drink?
fwomp
I'LL GET UFO POINTS ON TOP OF SCARING PEOPLE
Hm?
SHIBUKATSU, COULD I PLEASE BORROW THE MASK?
LET'S GO.
Huh? Who is that?
You don't want to drink?

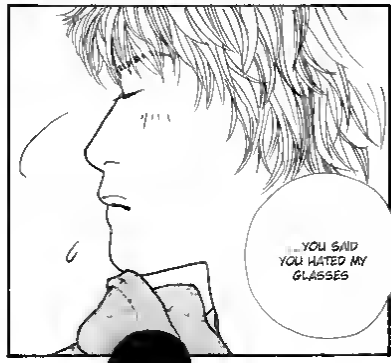
Hey, Ikeuchi-kun
haha he
Who is the other person?
THIS MOOD WOULD SCARE PEOPLE.
Oh, you startled me.
KYAA!!
I COULDN'T GET YOU ALONE IN THE HOUSE, RIGHT?
I NEVER WENT OUTSIDE.
HE'S JUST TOYING WITH ME, ISN'T HE?
I'M SUCH A MESS RIGHT NOW.
WELL, I SHOULD THANK HIM FOR HELPING ME GET AWAY.

ARE YOU OKAY? DID YOU DRINK TOO MUCH?
Are you drunk?
I'm not drunk
I'M FINE
OF COURSE !!!
STUMBLE
I THOUGHT YOU'D JUST SCARE ME
THAT'S TRUE
hahaha
WHAT? DO YOU BELIEVE IN GHOSTS?
I'M FINE!
WATCH YOUR STEP, IT'S DARK
I'M FINE
EH?!
IT'S SAFE TO TAKE THE MASK OFF NOW...
EVERYONE IS BACK AT THE HOUSE. IT'S JUST US SO IT'S OKAY
I can't see it's so dark.

HEY, I CAN SEE SOMETHING
Is that so ?
Ikeuchi already has an idea of my looks
Is...
EH?
EH?! STOP THAT!!!
SOMETHING VAGUELY WHITE
IT'S JUST A PLASTIC BAG

I CAN SEE WELL ENOUGH WITHOUT THEM.

YOU REALLY ARE AFRAID OF GHOSTS



Something

ARE YOU GOING TO QUIT?
HE'S TAKING VIDEO OF THIS...
EH?
THE CLUB
EH...? YEAH
DON'T QUIT
WHY?
WHY? THE CLUB HAS FINALLY LIT UP WITH A CUTE GIRL IN IT AND WE HAVE SO FEW GIRLS TO BEGIN WITH.
sigh
BUT THAT'S NOT THE REAL REASON...

I DON'T WANT THE GIRL I LIKE TO QUIT.
DO YOU STILL HATE ME?
THAT WOULD REALLY CRUSH ME

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I DON'T GET YOU! I CAN'T SEE YOU HAVING A CRUSH ON ME! I CAN'T SEE IT AT ALL!
EH?
I'M GOING BACK.
YOU DON'T SEE PAST... LOOKS AND STYLE.
WAIT...
YOU THINK LOOKS ARE THE ONLY THING THAT MATTERS?
YOU'RE DIFFERENT THAN THE GIRLS IN THE MAGAZINE...

WOULD YOU SAY THE SAME THING IF YOU SAW ME IN THE LIGHT?!
FLASH

I LIKE YOU
YOU'LL ALWAYS BE A PART OF THIS CLUB
YOU READ A LOT OF THE CLUB'S STORIES, BUT YOU'LL NEVER TOUCH A PHOTO OF A GHOST OR UFO
LOOK AT ME
YOU COPY SHIBUKATSU'S GIRLFRIEND IN MAKE-UP BUT YOU'LL NEVER BE HER.
I SAW
ALL OF THAT.

YOU'RE CUTE WITHOUT MAKE-UP TOO
I drew the line at messing with someone's heart just to notice me
I've hid myself the whole time behind make-up
Now he can see me
No one ever noticed me
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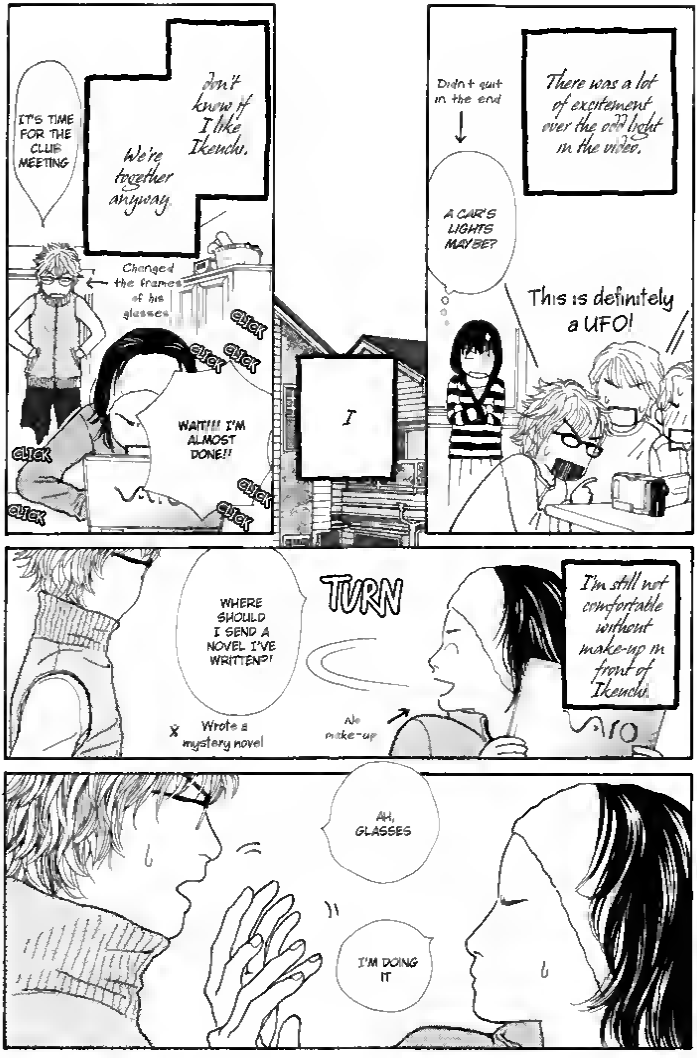
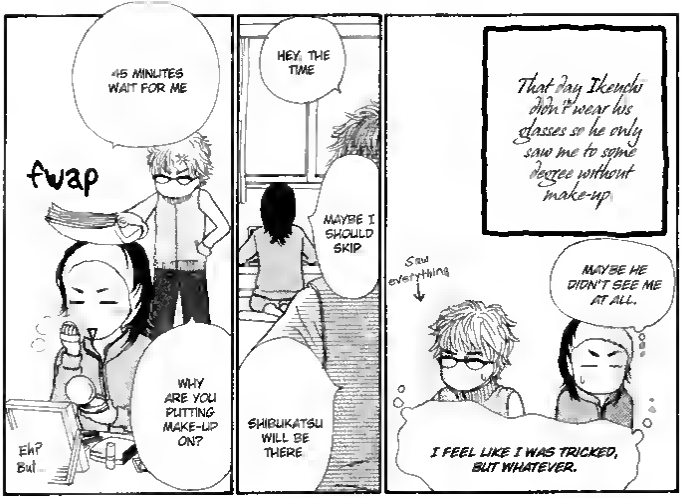
I never thought it would happen.
WHY IS IT BRIGHT OUT?

Later at the house...
Ohh!


IT'S TIME FOR THE CLUB MEETING
I don't know if I like Ikeuchi. We're together anyway.
Changed the frames of his glasses.
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
WAIT!!! I'M ALMOST DONE!!
I
Didn't quit in the end
There was a lot of excitement over the odd light in the video.
A CAR'S LIGHTS MAYBE?
This is definitely a UFO!
WHERE SHOULD I SEND A NOVEL I'VE WRITTEN?!
Wrote a mystery novel
TURN
No make-up
I'm still not comfortable without make-up in front of Ikeuchi.
AH, GLASSES
I'M DOING IT


45 MINUTES WAIT FOR ME
fwap
EH? But...
WHY ARE YOU PUTTING MAKE-UP ON?
HEY, THE TIME
MAYBE I SHOULD SKIP
SHIBUKATSU WILL BE THERE
That day Ikeuchi didn't wear his glasses so he only saw me to some degree without make-up.
Saw everything
MAYBE HE DIDN'T SEE ME AT ALL.
I FEEL LIKE I WAS TRICKED, BUT WHATEVER.

And yet I can't stop putting make-up on.

I know miracles happen when I'm wearing make-up

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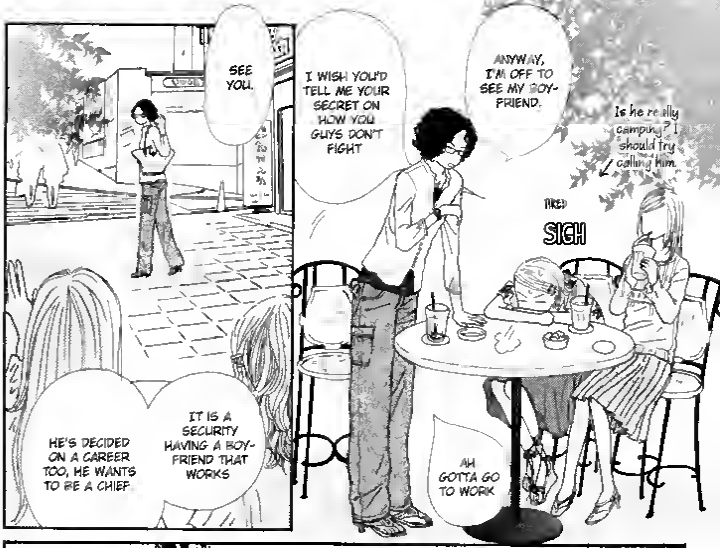
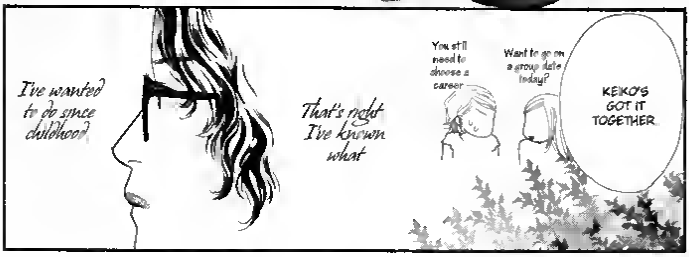
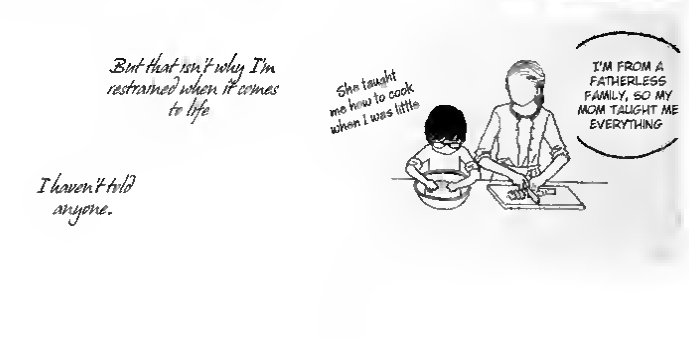
DID YOU EVER WRITE DOWN WHAT YOU WANTED TO BE WHEN YOU GROW UP?

A lawyer or an architect
A pastry chief
So I can eat them all day!
A bride
SENIORS IN COLLEGE
Tentative offer for a major architect company
Make-up artist
Hasn't decided on a career

SLURP
I'VE GOT A WAYS TO GO
I NEED TO BE SECOND IN THE QUALIFICATION FOR CANDIDACY HAVE SEVEN YEARS OF WORK EXPERIENCE AND BE A FIRST CLASS ARCHITECT FOR FOUR YEARS.
NO, I'M STILL WAITING ON A COMPANY.
KEIKO IS THE ONLY ONE WHO FIGURED OUT HER DREAM FROM A YOUNG AGE.
UNTIL I HAVE MY OWN COMPANY.
WAIT MAKOTO YOUR BOYFRIEND STILL HASN'T FOUND A JOB?
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH HIM.
YEAH! HE'S OUT CAMPING WITH HIS CLUB NOW.
SIGH
I WANT TO HEAR THAT FROM MASARU
THAT'S A WELL THOUGHT OUT PLAN.


SEE YOU.
I WISH YOU'D TELL ME YOUR SECRET ON HOW YOU GUYS DON'T FIGHT
ANYWAY, I'M OFF TO SEE MY BOY-FRIEND.
Is he really camping? I should try calling him.
(like)
SIGH
HE'S DECIDED ON A CAREER TOO, HE WANTS TO BE A CHIEF
IT IS A SECURITY HAVING A BOY-FRIEND THAT WORKS
AH GOTTA GO TO WORK


I've wanted to do since childhood
That's right I've known what
You still need to choose a career
Want to go on a group date today?
KEIKO'S GOT IT TOGETHER


But that isn't why I'm restrained when it comes to life
I haven't told anyone.
She taught me how to cook when I was little
I'M FROM A FATHERLESS FAMILY, SO MY MOM TAUGHT ME EVERYTHING

I'LL CHANGE THE LIGHT BULB!
WHY?
THAT'S A MAN'S JOB
EH?
KEIKO-SAN!!!
I HAVE A DREAM TOO.
DON'T TELL ME THIS IS ONE OF THOSE MALE PRIDE THINGS IT'S JUST A LIGHT BULB
WHAT?
.....
SEE, IT'S ALL DONE
THE BOSS HAS A BAD BACK AND I'M TALLER THAN YOU.
THAT'S NOT THE POINT.

Instead of having huge fights like Makoto does,
I feel like we're falling apart.
It's been a very long year with my boyfriend.
sigh
NO NEED TO POUT OVER IT.
TURN
WHAT-EVER.
.....
When we look at each other we only see dissatis-faction
IT'S OKAY I'LL JUST FREELANCE SOMEWHERE TILL I GET A CAREER.
IT'S MY DREAM TO SAVE MONEY AND OPEN A CAFE LIKE YOU!
HAVE YOU DECIDED ON A CAREER, ODA-KUN?
DON'T ASK BOSS
YOU'RE KIDDING
It's not easy running a cafe
Even though Keiko is older they're both seniors

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We rented a car and stayed at a hotel We didn't use it much, but the GPS voice was funny There are many versions of the Kansai and Kantou dialects

Clarion girl's voice

RIGHT TURN NEXT

RIGHT TURN...

We bought a bentou at the airport It just barely passed for Okinawan food

Thay used taco fixings The taco nce was good!!

3 pieces of meat

Sampling of gouya melon It's the first time I've had gouya, but it was really bitter It was good

When we arrived in Tokyo we took a bus home while it was SNOWING It was February

SNOW

EEK

I had fun going in the ocean in Okinawa What a difference in weather

CAFE AU LAIT IS 50% COFFEE AND 50% MILK FRENCH STYLE

A LATTE IS 50% ESPRESSO 35% MILK AND 15% FOAM MILK ITALIAN STYLE

ONE ICED LATTE

THANKS FOR WAITING

OH IT LOOKS GOOD

I DON'T KNOW...

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LATTE AND CAFE AU LAIT?

Makoto's boyfriend

I'LL TELL HIM ABOUT SHIBUKATSU

I DON'T THINK

I'M FINE

AH ARE YOU OKAY, KEIKO-CHAN? NEED A HAND?

Charming

Ah, no I don't intend on that

I COULD JUST LEAVE EVERYTHING TO YOU

AWAWAWA

His beam quantity still varies

UNLIKE ODA-KUN WHO DOESN'T REMEMBER A WORD I TELL HIM

Calls her by her name when they're alone
WHATEVER YOU FEEL LIKE, KEIKO
THAT AGAIN
WANT TO GET A BITE?
SURE
YOU HATED THE LAST PLACE, SO DON'T SAY YOU HATE IT THIS TIME
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
GOOD NIGHT
NIGHT
HMPH
I WON'T
I SAID NOT TO COMPLAIN!!!
Intended to have her own way
YOU KNOW.
EVERYTHING IS SO PLAIN
IN A RAMEN SHOP

IF YOU WANT SOME YOU CAN
THEN I WON'T HAVE ANY EITHER
IT'S OKAY
I'LL FEEL BAD IF I DRINK IN FRONT OF HIM
I'M DECIDING BETWEEN COMPANIES SO I WON'T CELEBRATE
OH, YEAH
OH
WHAT ABOUT BEER?
I HAVE AN INTERVIEW TOMORROW
WHAT SHOULD I GET?
I'LL HAVE THE PORK MISO AND DUMPLINGS
IT'S NOT WORTH DRINKING ALONE
It's annoying how we don't fight. He's so childish.
I don't voice my displeasures though
HURRY UP AND DECIDE!
The roasted pork fillet sounds good
SHOULD I USE THE SALTED SOY SAUCE?
BUT THIS RESTAURANT HAS REALLY RICH MELONS
BUT I'M NOT IN THE MOOD FOR THAT WHAT THEN?

HM?
YOU'VE GOT SOME ON YOUR MOUTH
THAT THIS KIND OF STUFF
I NEVER THOUGHT
Am I your mother?
hehehe
WOULD GIVE ME SUCH HOSTILE FEELINGS
It was fine in the beginning. I just patiently put up with it.
And
WHY DOES HE ALWAYS WALK BEHIND ME?
WHY DOES HE ALWAYS MAKE ME DECIDE ON WHERE TO GO?
You could take control for once
Even in s rinating
Geh. All that salt bloated me out
I don't say a word of thanks
DO YOU GO THERE BY YOURSELF OFTEN?

THAT SO? OKAY
BE CARE-FUL
DON'T GIVE IN SO EASILY!
I don't wanna say a bad word!
YOU DON'T NEED TO WALK ME HOME TODAY.
I HAVE AN INTERVIEW TOMORROW. I NEED TO GO TO BED EARLY
NOTHING
WHY?
I DO.
WHAT? YOU DON'T WANT YOUR GIRL-FRIEND GOING ALONE TO A RAMEN RES-TAURANT?

I don't tell him what I'm thinking.

So I bottle it up.

My unhappiness is building up

chachung
I DID TELL HIM NOT TO WALK ME HOME
FOR ONCE I'D LIKE HIM TO SAY "NO, I'LL DO IT."
chachung
Would that even irritate me?
OR, "ARE YOU OKAY WALKING IN THE DARK?"

All this unhappiness is pent up inside my heart ready to boil over.

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His behavior and attitude isn't resonating with me
I just don't get it.
TURN
TURN
TURN
TURN
Other objects ← students have made.
SINCE YOU'VE COME INTO THE CLASS YOU'VE BEEN WORKING ON THE SAME CUP HIROSE-SAN.
OH, SORRY, DID I INTERRUPT YOUR THOUGHTS?
EH?!
GASP
SORRY, WHAT? I HAD STUFF ON MY MIND
YOU'RE NOT TIRED OF THAT?
TURN
TURN
Oh, I see.
Very
FOR ME
NO, IT'S THERAPEUTIC

It's funny how
ceramics make all my troubles go away.
Good night
Bye
AHHH
I MADE A LOT TODAY
But when I let go of it
My mind is clear when I'm making something.
Dry inside
and I see all the cups I've made lined up in a row,
it brings a smile to my face.
TOILET
Hirose-san?!

UWAH, MY FACE IS DIRTY
MY SKIN IS ROUGH TOO.
I WONDER IF MY HORMONES ARE OFF BALANCE
IS IT FROM BEING IRRITATED?
ZAAAH
SHE'S...
PRETTY!!! NICE SKIN TOO!
And she's not wearing make-up
HIGH SCHOOL?
I COULDN'T EVEN COMPARE TO HER IN HIGH SCHOOL
SHE'S A CUTE KID...
SURE
THANKS FOR WAITING, SENSEI
HUH?
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Since coming home from vacation I've continued to eat the sata andagi (type of Okinawan donut) that I bought for myself I'm trying to make it last though I don't want to forget the tastes of Okinawa

What I can't forget the most is the hamburger I ate The French fries too

Like... potatoes

It was delicious

Although my stomach is so full of potatoes and hamburgers that I really regret it now

Okinawa for isn't sold There are Okinawan sweets though Somewhere then there has to be sata andagi sold That would make me happy A local bakery maybe

It was a carefree trip (or was it ?) It was loads of fun and very relaxing

Okinawa Trip Diary

END

KEIKO

And then

reality came back.

I'LL WASH UP WHEN I GET BACK

SO WHAT IF MY SKIN IS DIRTY

I DON'T WANT TO SIT NEXT TO THIS KID.
So he used to tutor
IF YOU HAVE TIME, COME JOIN US.
EH? IT'S OKAY. I'LL ALLOW IT.
I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND US BEING TOGETHER
THAT'S RIGHT
I PROMISED I'D HELP HER IF SHE DID WELL ON THE MOCK EXAM.
IT STARTED LAST MONTH. SHE'S A STUDENT I USED TO TUTOR.
Wow is this your girl friend?
I'M THINKING OF THE PARFAIT, BUT LOTS OF STUFF LOOKS GOOD
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO CHOOSE
EXCUSE ME. WE NEED MORE TIME PLEASE
SURE. I'LL COME BACK LATER
HAVE YOU DECIDED?
a high school girl
DO YOU WANT COFFEE?
TEA FOR ME
frisk
frisk
Hm
HAVE YOU DECIDED?
EH?! EH?!
ERMM

As an adult
he can never make up his mind around me
I never see that smile
I'VE TAKEN HIM TO THIS RESTAURANT TOO
I CAN'T DECIDE SO QUICKLY.
SORRY IT ALL LOOKS GOOD
PFFT
HAHAHA IT'S OKAY. TAKE YOUR TIME
Is that okay?
This and this look good too
I wonder what I should eat
Ask for both then
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I don't
Ah! Ah!
It's dangling
have this charm.
What do I do?
I think I understand now.
I don't have the charm of a child
It's been awhile since I've been to this place.
Keep up your studies
clatter
YOU HAVEN'T HAD YOUR TEA YET.
I HAVE THINGS TO DO
I'M GOING HOME.
EH?!
HOW WAS YOUR INTERVIEW?
And
women should say these things

When I'm feeling like this I should say something worse.

It pisses me off that you show a little reserved manners and kind smile to

people other than me.

You won't show me that smile.
I'm certainly not as cute as that girl.
What stories did he tell her before?
DROP
It's the first cup I ever made in ceramics.
I've continued to make the same design ever since.
BUT IT'S A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT ATTACHMENT WITH THE FIRST THING I EVER MADE
THAT WAS CLOSE
IT'S MY FAVORITE CUP
CLOSE CALL!
OHH!
CATCH!
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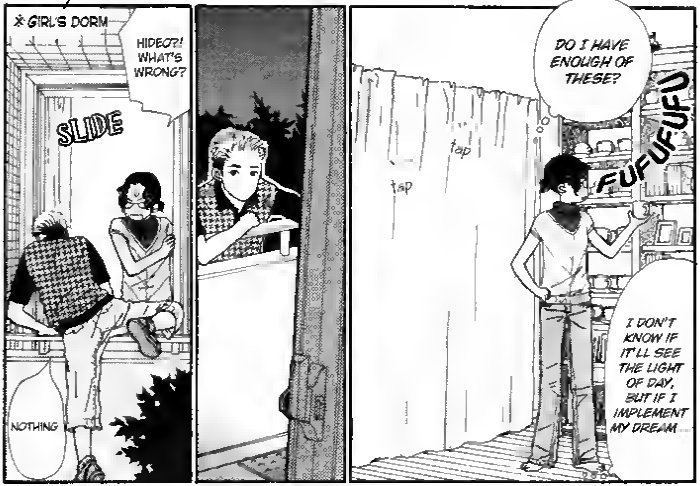
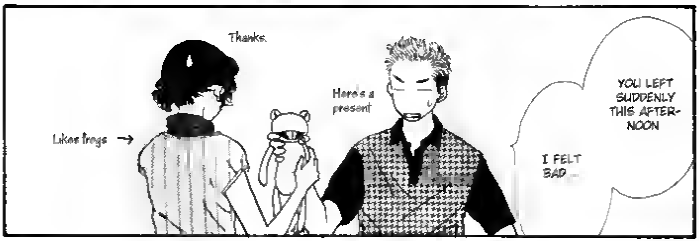
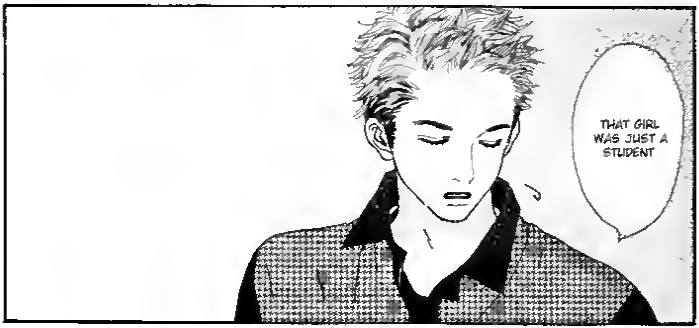

※GIRL'S DORM
HIDEO?! WHAT'S WRONG?
SLIDE
NOTHING
DO I HAVE ENOUGH OF THESE?
tap
tap
FUFUFUFU
I DON'T KNOW IF IT'LL SEE THE LIGHT OF DAY, BUT IF I IMPLEMENT MY DREAM...


Thanks.
Here's a present
Likes frogs →
YOU LEFT SUDDENLY THIS AFTERNOON
I FELT BAD...


THAT GIRL WAS JUST A STUDENT

Hmh...?
THAT SO? GREAT
Am I happy?
TAKE IT SERIOUSLY
Why is he bothering to say this?
AH...
I WASN'T THINKING IT WAS ANY-THING
Your attitude towards me is way different
Why are you always tutoring such cute high school girls?
THERE'S SO MUCH I WANT TO SAY
I WON'T SAY A WORD
Tea is good
I'll make tea
I just remembered a little of the crush I had long ago
It's that kind of feeling
I GOT THIS TEA AS A GIFT
I SHOULD OPEN IT
Maybe things will be alright
WHAT? CAN'T OPEN IT?
LET ME HAVE IT
ugyaaah

POP
clatter
AH...
IT'S OKAY
IT'S A PIECE OF CAKE WITH THIS TOOL
See?!
SO NOT CUTE!
THAT'S SOMETHING A GUY SHOULD DO
GASP
Ah! Is that so?
This kind of thing isn't cute?

But till now I've always done things on my own.
Should I be a sweet girl who relies on men for things?
I don't get it
WHAT?
ARE YOU MAD?
Ah. Oh no.
I'm in irate mode again.
I'M NOT MAD
THE WATER IS BOILING GET ANY CUP YOU LIKE
OKAY
AH
CRASH

I'M SORRY
AH.
EH?
IT'S OKAY... I'LL DO IT, SO GO GET THE WATER.
I'LL CLEAN UP, SO LEAVE NOW
I SAID I'D DO IT! STEP BACK!
GET OUT
YOU'VE GOT LOTS OF THE SAME KIND ONE WON'T BE MISSED.
hahaha
IT'S OKAY.

HEY
.....
CAN'T YOU BE A LITTLE NICER?
THIS IS MY TYPICAL SELF.
.....
COULDN'T YOU JUST EXTEND A LITTLE OF KINDNESS? IT'S NOT THAT HARD.
I'M GOING HOME FOR TODAY.
SINCE IT TAKES TOO MUCH EFFORT,
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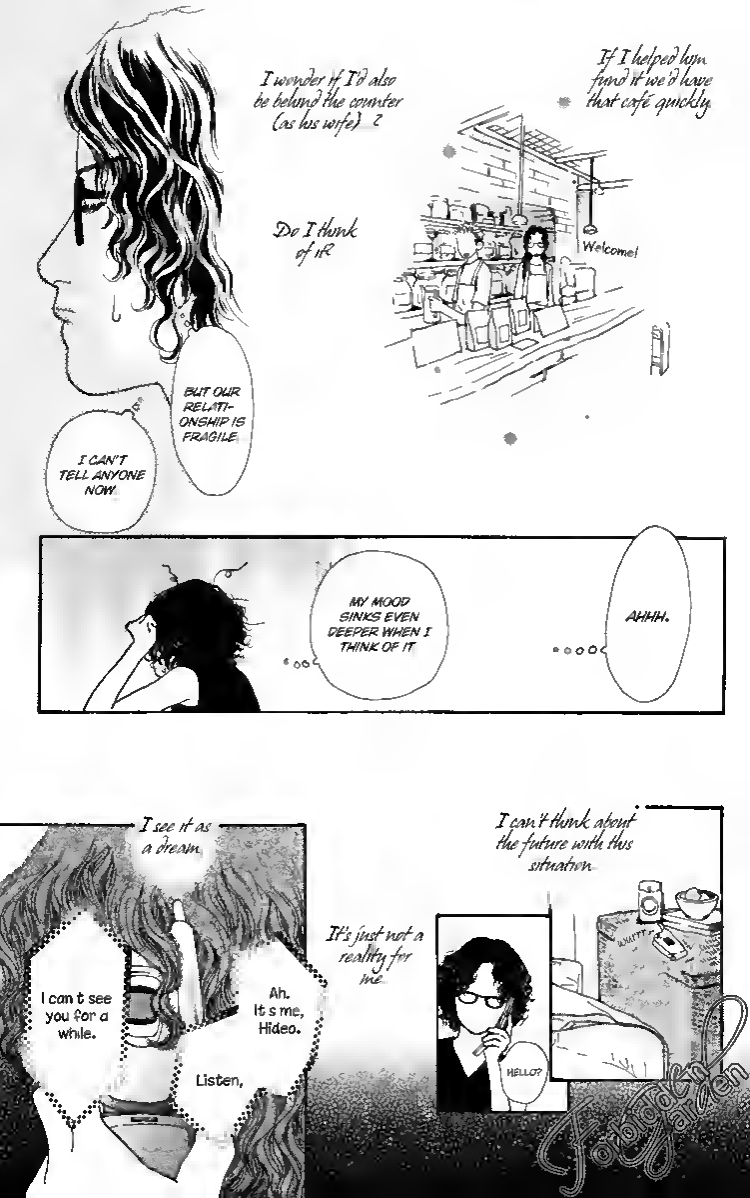
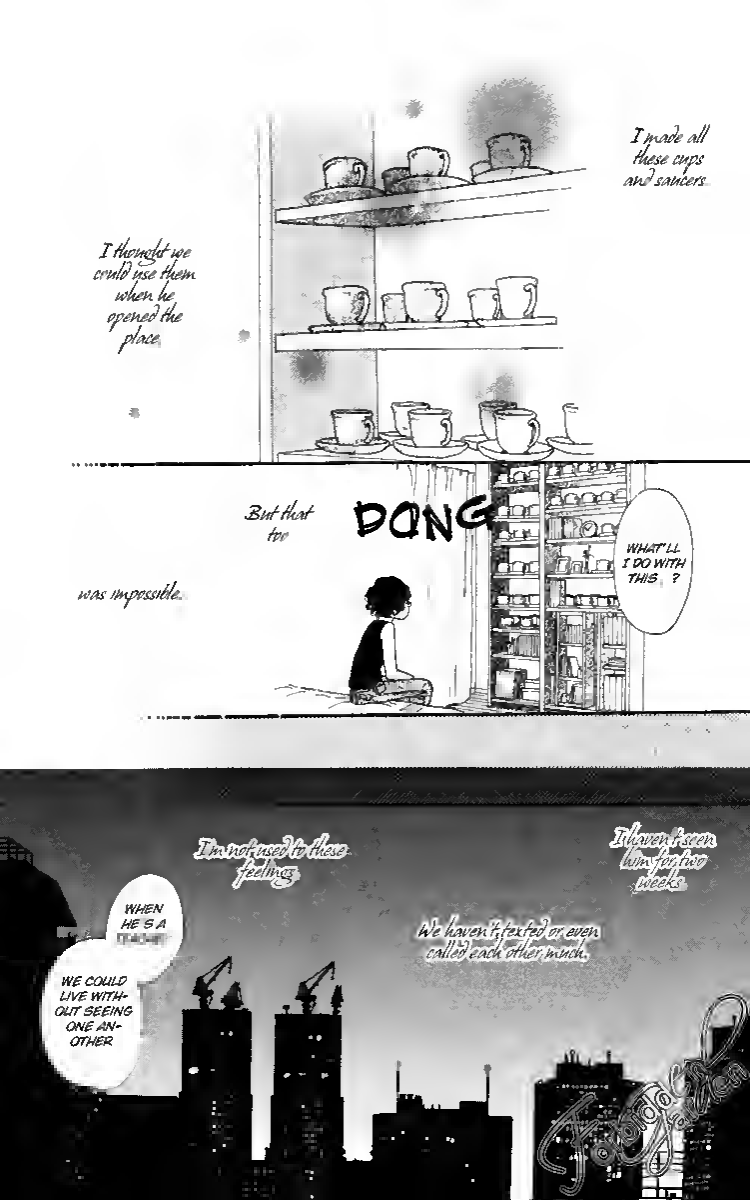
SHOULD I STOP LOOKING FOR WORK AND JUST BE A HOUSEWIFE?
I FEEL LIKE THAT'S FOR ME.
Why did I react like that?
Why do all these bad thoughts come to mind about him?
Everything I liked about him before is lost.
Ehh?
WITHOUT A PARTNER?!
Why is that? I just don't know.

YEAH I THINK SO.
...WOULD YOU BE OKAY WITH IT ECONO-MICALLY?
A bride for no reason?
MY PARENTS WOULD LIKE IT TOO...
THERE'S NO DESIRED IMAGE FOR A HOUSEWIFE, RIGHT?
I SHOULD HAVE AN ARRANGED MARRIAGE INSTEAD OF A BOYFRIEND.
YEAH IN TRUTH,
I DON'T KNOW IF I'LL REALLY BE AN ARCHI-TECT.
IT'S NOT THAT.
? ? I'm envious
DO YOU THINK IT'S STUPID? I'M PLANNING MY FUTURE HE MIGHT RUN AWAY IF HE SEES ME.
I WANT TO SAVE MONEY AND OPEN A CAFE
But he's told me
everything from the start...
I HAVEN'T TOLD A SOUL ABOUT MY DREAMS.
DO I TELL THEM...? SHOULD I TELL THEM...?
...UMM, BECAUSE EARLIER...
WHY?
EH?!
You've talked about it your whole life.


I wonder if I'd also be behind the counter (as his wife) ?
If I helped him, I'd have that cafe quickly.
Do I think of it?
Welcome!
BUT OUR RELATIONSHIP IS FRAGILE.
I CAN'T TELL ANYONE NOW.
MY MOOD SINKS EVEN DEEPER WHEN I THINK OF IT.
AHHH.
I see it as a dream.
I can't see you for a while.
Ah. It's me, Hideo.
Listen,
It's just not a reality for me.
I can't think about the future with this situation.
HELLO?

Huh?!
A TEACHER?!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
So
I don't hate teaching.
I've joined the department of education.
EH?
I need to study.
I passed the teacher employment exam.
When you think of it, don't you think I'd make a good teacher? Maybe you can't say it though.
I'm tired of job-hunting on my own...
I can't find general employment without a recommendation, so I'm in education.

I'm thinking about my future.
I UNDERSTAND
grip
GOOD LUCK STUDYING
BUT YOU SAID YOUR GOAL WAS TO OPEN A CAFE.
WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT?
.....
JUST LIKE THAT.
haha
What?
That's that...
Do you seriously think I could, Keiko?


I made all these cups and saucers
I thought we could use them when he opened the place
But that too was impossible.
DONG
WHAT'LL I DO WITH THIS ?
I'm not used to these feelings
I haven't seen him for two weeks
We haven't texted or even called each other much.
WHEN HE'S A [illegible]
WE COULD LIVE WITHOUT SEEING ONE ANOTHER

WOULD WE FADE OUT THEN?
Do I still like him?
Even if...
GET IN
DO I WANT THAT...?
I DON'T KNOW.
WHAT'S WITH THE CAR?
I BORROWED IT FROM HOME
ARE YOU STUDYING HARD?
I GUESS.

I haven't said things like a mother till now.
I THOUGHT I PASSED AS A TEACHER.
UNLIKE YOU I HAVE NO CAREER GOALS.
I'VE THOUGHT ABOUT IT A LOT.
IT'S MY FUTURE.
I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU DON'T CALL ME OR WHY YOU'RE MAD.
grip
.....
I'M NOT MAD...
.....
YOU'RE ALWAYS MAD WHEN YOU SAY THAT.
IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY THEN SAY IT.

EH?
THAT CUP YOU BROKE.
THAT WAS THE FIRST ONE I EVER MADE...
THAT CUP...
.....
IT WAS REALLY IMPORTANT TO ME...
It had meaning to me.
It was my special dream.
I'M SORRY I BROKE IT.
...YOU'RE MAD OVER THAT?!

SO...
YOU'RE RIGHT...
OKAY...
JUST TELL ME THEN
DON'T BOTTLE IT UP
I DON'T KNOW...
I still don't make my mind up about that.
DO YOU WANT TO BREAK UP?
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?

I
STILL WANT TO MAKE IT WORK.
IT'S AWKWARD NOW, BUT IF WE TRY HARD...
Maybe with a little effort I could be the kind of girl he likes.
I CAN'T BE THE SWEET TEMPERED GIRL YOU WANT ME TO BE
But now...

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The distant night grew hazy with my tears

IS IT WORTH CONTINUING THE IMPOSSIBLE...?

That night we broke up

During that walk I committed to memory that awful sensation

Even now was..

I got out of the car and walked back home

was that a break up?

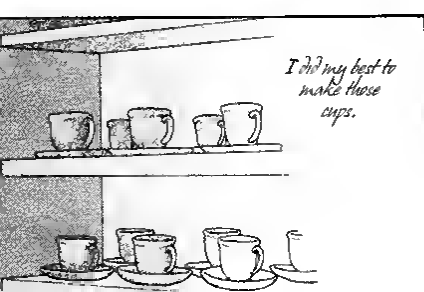
Was it temporary weakness?

I just don't know.

MAR-

MARRIED?!

WHAT'S THAT?!
THIS WAS MY DREAM IN ELEMENTARY
To be a bride
I MET HIM ON A GROUP DATE
I still haven't got a ring on my finger yet
YEP
I ACCEPTED
HE QUICKLY PROPOSED TO ME AFTER GOING ON 2 OR 3 DATES
WHEN I WENT TO THE GROUP DATE WITHOUT MAKE-UP I FOUND SOMEONE PLEASED WITH ME
I'M NOT RUSHING INTO A MARRIAGE
I THOUGHT AN ARRANGED MARRIAGE WAS THE SAME THING?
ARE YOU SURE?! ARE YOU SURE?! YOU'VE DECIDED AWFULLY QUICKLY!


I did my best to make these cups.

Indefinitely troubled
This is one determined bride.

It took everything I had to throw them away.

I see now that I'm indeed not meant to be someone's wife in a cafe.

(I never could see it.)

It's been a while since I got a text from him.

I was fine with that too.

I know he's started dating that girl he's tutoring.

THAT'S FOR SURE

But I was the one in the end who decided to break up.

Our future disappears with this.

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I walk alone.

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